

Pringle new plant will employ 550

Pringle, the Scottish knitwear manufacturer, announced yesterday that it is to create up to 550 new jobs in Arbroath, Tayside, where 1,700 people are unemployed.

Pringle decided on Arbroath for its knitwear factory because it could not find the skilled labour it needed at its home base, Hawick, in the Scottish Borders.

The company is to spend £1.6 million on the first phase of the plant creating 150 new jobs by the end of next year. It plans to spend a further £5 million in two phases, building up to a total workforce of 550 by 1990.

Pringle will also spend about £6 million on its main base in Hawick, where most of its 1,500 workers are employed. It has already taken on an extra 150 employees in Hawick this year.

Mr Alan Powrie, convenor of Tayside Regional Council's industry committee, said: "It is a major boost and I do not think the people of Arbroath could ask for a better Christmas present."

More than 160 workers are to lose their jobs at the Thornhill Country Produce factory at Great Longstone, near Bakewell, Derbyshire, it was announced yesterday. The company is to switch production of frozen chickens to its factory in Deeside, Wales.

The American foods company Nabisco, is to dismiss 180 people at its factory in Berrymore, south London.

Teaching protest outside court

About 1,000 banner-waving teachers and community leaders demonstrated outside Highbury court yesterday, where nine teachers, a student and a campaign worker faced obstruction charges arising from an anti-racism protest. Forty police controlled the demonstration, which coincided with a strike at 67 London schools.

The 11 men and women were arrested on October 16 on a picket of the Inner London Education Authority's divisional headquarters in Stepney. They were among a crowd of more than 100 calling for an effective anti-racism policy. Demonstrators refused to accept binding over orders and the hearing is expected to continue for a week.

Fight to free deaf mute

A campaign was launched by the Derbyshire Coalition of Disabled People yesterday in an attempt to free Mr Glenn Pearson, a deaf mute sentenced to be held in a mental hospital indefinitely for the theft of £5 and three light bulbs.

Mr Pearson, aged 33, of Hansard Crescent, Caistor, Lincolnshire, was sentenced at Lincoln Crown Court after a jury decided he was unfit to plead to a charge of burglary. Yesterday he was still being held in Lincoln prison while a hospital bed was found for him.

Strike defiance

A total of 700 steel workers at the Atlas site of Sheffield Forgemasters yesterday defied a union instruction to end a six-week strike over pay, trade union recognition and working conditions.

Apartheid critic warns synod of widening civil war

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

Dr Beyers Naudé, a leading white South African opponent of apartheid, predicted a future of growing bloodshed and eventual civil war there, when he addressed the General Synod of the Church of England in London yesterday.

Dr Naudé, secretary of the South African Council of Churches and previously director of the now banned Christian Institute, received a standing ovation and glowing warm greetings from the archbishops of York and Canterbury.

He is a veteran campaigner, an Afrikaans Dutch Reformed Church minister who resigned in 1965 in protest at his church's support of apartheid. For a time he was banned by the Pretoria government.

The recent severe government measures to stamp out disorder had led to an unprecedented level of hatred and bitterness, he told the synod.

He even questioned whether the government was still in control, asking: "Who in fact is running the country, the politicians or the army?" He saw no sign of black anger diminishing in the near future. Many in the churches had begun to realize that "we have entered the first stages of a low-scale civil war

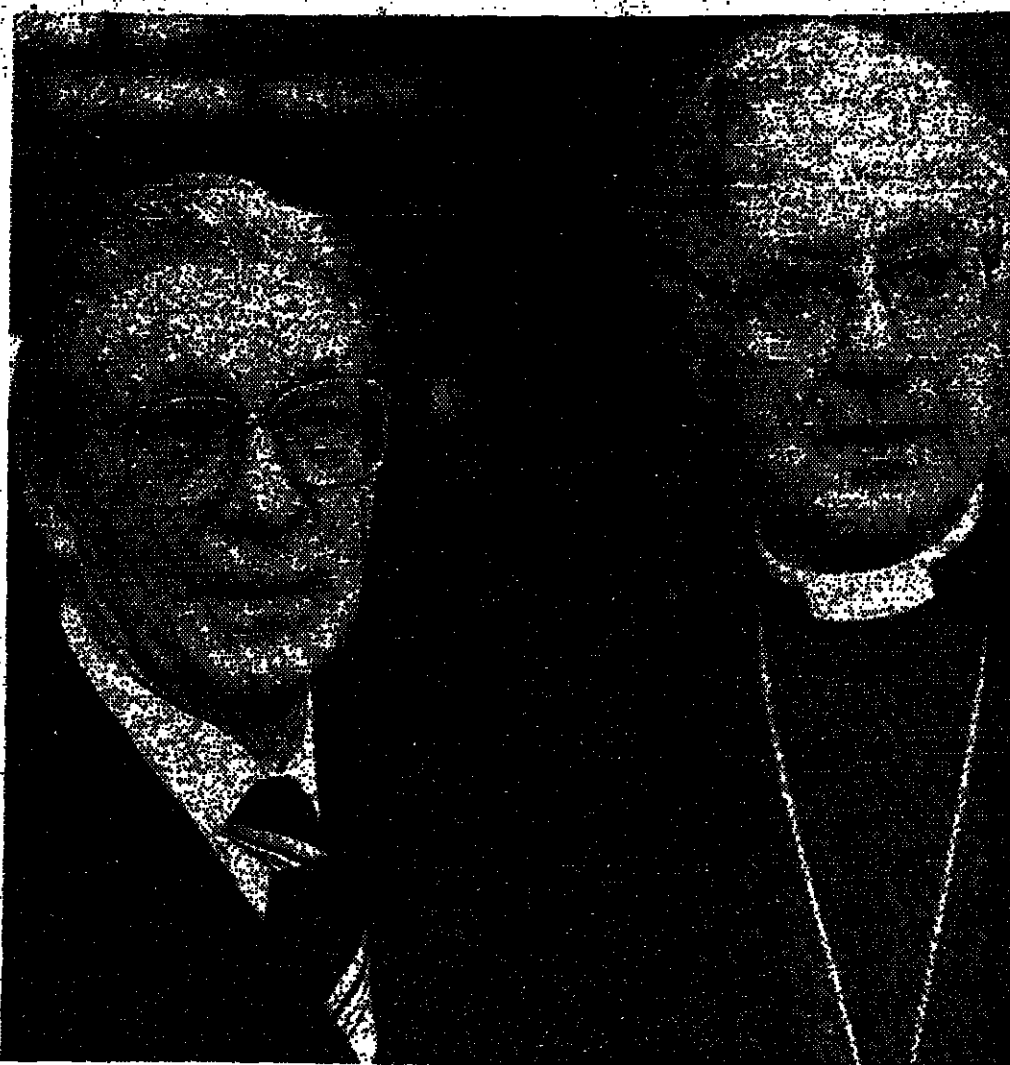
which could eventually engulf the whole country."

The churches now had to consider, Dr Naudé said, whether they could maintain their traditional stand of opposition to violence against the system. Thousands of young people were saying: "We see that our militant and sometimes violent actions seem to achieve more in a short space of two years than all the church resolutions of the past 20 years."

He emphasized the that the West's failure to apply economic sanctions had been a deep disappointment to Christian opponents of apartheid in South Africa, "who suffer every day under the evil of apartheid."

Observing that he could be put in legal jeopardy by his remarks on his return to South Africa, he added: "I believe it is equally important that your church financiers, the Church Commissioners, take immediate steps to disengage and disinvest from any institution which directly or indirectly supports the apartheid regime."

At a press conference later Dr Naudé elaborated his remarks on violence and the church. He said: "I am not prepared to condemn anybody who, in his efforts to secure his liberation,



Dr Naudé (left) being welcomed at Church House yesterday by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie (Photograph: Bill Warhurst).

is forced to take up arms. I will do everything in my power to prevent that happening. I would not see a duty to take up arms. I personally could not do so. But I would not blame or condemn anybody who feels it is his duty. It could be justified."

Commenting on reports on

the imminent release of Mr Nelson Mandela, he said that the South African government's insistence on his prior renunciation of violence was unfair, and would be counterproductive, as it would discredit Mr Mandela's moderating influence in the black community.

The General Synod had earlier expressed its alarm at the harm being done to school pupils in Britain by the teachers' dispute. It passed a motion which called on both sides to "redouble their efforts" to solve it.

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NUM legal threat to rival

By David Felton, Labour Correspondent

The National Union of Mineworkers yesterday launched legal moves which could threaten the certification of the breakaway Union of Democratic Mineworkers, due to take place early next month.

Mr Kevin Richardson, former president of the NUM's south Derbyshire area where miners voted by a 26-vote majority to join the UDM, is seeking disclosure of voting figures to back a complaint of irregularities which could block the union's registration.

Unless any appeals against registration are received by December 6, the Certification Officer for Trade Unions is due to grant the UDM its certificate as an independent body. Mr Richardson, a miner at Rawdon colliery, resigned as president at protest at the breakaway ballot.

Mr Ken Toon, the former

NUM area secretary for south Derbyshire, is the new union's president-elect pending the High Court appeal against the conduct of the ballot.

Meanwhile loyal moderate NUM leaders in the Midlands have forged a loose coalition to counteract UDM recruiting drives and National Coal Board efforts to strengthen the fledgling union. Leaders of Coas, along with officials and members from Leicestershire, the power group, Warwickshire, Nottinghamshire and south Derbyshire, are to hold regular meetings to try to stem the UDM drift.

The group also plans to meet Labour MPs to put its case. Mr Trevor Bell, general secretary of Coas, said last night that the NCB's actions in encouraging the UDM were in breach of government legislation.

Mr Bell said the NCB and the

UDM were "in the same bracket" and a move by the Midlands area at the white collar section's executive meeting to hold a ballot to consider joining the UDM was not discussed.

Mr Kinnock, visiting his Islwyn constituency yesterday appeared to have healed his rift with the South Wales miners after a two-hour meeting with the executive committee in which he promised his support for their fight against continued pit closures and for more investment in the industry.

An NUM leader, Mr Sam Scott, aged 62, of Waterford Green, Ashington, the Northumberland area general secretary, was yesterday cleared at Durham Crown Court of assaulting Mr Edwin Gascoigne, aged 45, a colliery storeman, who had returned to work during the pit strike.

Mass 'loyalist' rally for Belfast

From Richard Ford, Belfast

Unionist leaders in Northern Ireland last night appealed for calm on the eve of a rally at which tens of thousands of "loyalists" will demonstrate their opposition to the Anglo-Irish agreement.

The security forces in Belfast city centre are preparing for one of the largest rallies the city has witnessed in years as unionists attempt to get more than 100,000 to join the protest.

Many shops and bars in the city are to close for the duration of the rally, but last night the loyalist paramilitary Ulster Defence Association denied allegations that it was intimidating small businesses into shutting.

The large stores in the city will remain open, although with only four Saturdays left until Christmas, they will lose thousands of pounds of trade because of a loyalist parade for the second time in three weeks.

Many Christmas shoppers have abandoned plans to visit the city centre because of the expected traffic hold-ups as hundreds of loyalist bands march to the city Hall, where Mr James Moynihan, leader of the Official Unionist Party, and the Rev Ian Paisley, leader of the Democratic Unionist Party, will declare all-out opposition to the deal.

All Irish League football matches have been cancelled because of the protest.

Most people in the Irish Republic believe that opposition leader Mr Charles Haughey was wrong to criticize the Anglo-Irish agreement aimed at finding peace in Ulster, according to an opinion poll published today in the Dublin newspaper, *The Irish Times*.

The poll registered 56 per cent of those questioned believing that Mr Haughey was wrong for his attitude from 32 per cent, and 12 per cent replied "don't know".

McGlinchey trial

Dominic McGlinchey, aged 31, from Co Londonderry, was sent for trial at Dublin's anti-terrorist special criminal court yesterday on charges connected with his capture by police in the Irish Republic last year.

Mr McGlinchey was remanded in custody by a district court at Ennis, Co Clare. His trial is likely to be in the new year.

Heavy security was in force at the Ennis courthouse for the commitment appearance by Mr McGlinchey, who once was top of police wanted lists on both sides of the Irish border.

He faces three charges: shooting at a policeman with intent to resist arrest at Newmarket-on-Fergus, Co Clare, on March 17, 1984, having a weapon with intent to resist arrest and to endanger life.

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Police chief challenges critics over riot bullets

Mr Geoffrey Dear, West Midlands chief constable, said yesterday that critics of his plan to arm officers with plastic bullets would change their mind if they wanted police protection during a riot.

He said the risk of killing rioters with the weapons was justified by the need to protect ordinary people's lives and property.

Mr Dear returned to the attack at the final session of Birmingham City Council's inquiry into the Handsworth riot, saying that baton rounds were needed as a weapon of last resort to combat street and football riots which were getting out of hand and putting people's lives at risk.

He said: "What if your house or your shop is on fire or about to be set fire to by rioters and the police are held back by flaming barricades and missiles out of reach and unable to help you?"

"You are in imminent danger of losing your livelihood and probably your life and are told that there is no way that police can come to your aid at all unless they use baton rounds... then please vote," he urged the council.

The most urgent problems of inner city disorder were created by only a few hundred hopeless and alienated young people, mostly black, Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, said in Bakewell, Derbyshire, yesterday.

"They have slipped through our educational system, which has done little or nothing for them. They are constantly told by all with whom they come in contact that they have no chance of a job," Mr Hurd said.

"Violence and crime provide the excitement in lives which are otherwise empty. It seems to me essential that we find means of preventing this, and of encouraging young people from being constantly replenished, in fact I can think of no more important social objective."

An inquiry into racial attacks is to be conducted early next year by the Commons select committee on race, relations and immigration.

The decision was taken because of the widespread fear of racial attacks expressed in written evidence to the committee in connection with its present inquiry into Bangladeshis in Britain. The two inquiries will be linked.

Saying that racial discrimination continued to play a part in the key area of employment, Mr Neil Kinnock, leader of the Labour Party, said in his constituency of Islwyn that big employers should ensure the proportion of their workforce from ethnic minorities was broadly similar to their numbers in the overall population.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher was breaking her promise to provide the police with the resources they need to fight crime, Mr George Kanfanan, Labour Spokesman on home affairs, said in Eglwysbury in Glamorgan, the cut in police spending in the next financial year will be 2.5 per cent, he said.

The National Union of Teachers is seeking urgent talks with the Police Federation about bans on police visits by 21 schools in inner London. The union said it was aware relations were still strained between the schools.

Thatcher is advised to call poll in June 1987

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

The most likely date for the next general election is increasingly believed by close confidants of the Prime Minister to be June 1987, rather than the autumn of that year.

Among Conservative MPs, senior politicians of all parties and political commentators, October 1987 has been seen in recent months as the most probable time for Mrs Thatcher to launch her attempt to win a third term. But members of her inner advisory circle are casting doubt on that assumption.

They believe it unlikely that the Prime Minister will want to choose a month when the unemployment figures are usually poor in comparison with most other months and certainly the spring and summer.

Unemployment is expected to be a central issue in the election, whenever it comes.

Her colleagues believe that Mrs Thatcher would almost certainly want to go for a month when the unemployment figures could be expected to be seen in a better light.

Ministers who were closely involved in Mrs Thatcher's decision to hold the last election in June 1983, almost a year before it was necessary under the five-year rule, do not believe that she would be any more likely to want to go for a sixth year this time.

Another smaller factor which could weigh in favour of June 1987 would be Mrs Thatcher's wish to prevent the other parties gaining the sort of short-term popularity surge that both the Alliance and Labour expected this year after successful party conferences in September and October.

Alliance gains

Two local by-election successes for the Alliance against Labour and the Conservatives on Thursday were described by the Alliance as "lovely black eyes" for the other parties by Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party (George Hill writes). The gain of a Tory seat in Harrow brought Alliance net gains in London boroughs to 25 since May 1982.

Labour has had a net loss of two seats and the Tories a loss of 22 during the same period. The capture of a Labour seat in Coventry put a Liberal on the council for the first time in 39 years.

Six candidates

Six candidates are to contest the Tyne Bridge by-election on December 2.

Nominations closed yesterday and the candidates are: Mr David Cleland, Labour; Mrs Janet Laith, Conservative; Mr Rod Kenyon, SDP; Mr George Weiss, Captain Rainbow Party; Mr John Connell, Mr Peter Reid, Smith, New National.

The by-election for the constituency, which covers parts of Newcastle upon Tyne and Gateshead, was caused by the death of the Labour MP, Mr Harry Cowans.

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Boom in private house building

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

Private housing starts this year are expected to be more than 165,000, higher than forecasts, and the second best total since 1973. Mr Andrew Tait, chairman of the National House Building Council, said yesterday.

Because of high interest and mortgage rates, it was thought that starts in the private sector this year would be at best 150,000, but the reduction of rates has led to increased activity.

Local authority house-building, however, could be down to

its lowest since the Second World War, at fewer than 30,000, which means that the total of houses started during the year will fall short of the minimum of 200,000 a year considered essential to replace ageing stock and cater for new families.

Mr Tait, speaking at the council's annual lunch in London, said that land remained the main difficulty in the way of increased building. Expressing concern at rising land prices, particularly in the South-east, he said that if land

became very expensive because it was too scarce, "then not only are house prices pushed up, but houses are also smaller than they would be and new estates are less attractive than they might be."

He called on planning authorities to make a little more land available. "It would stabilize prices, and give the opportunity to have better houses and more attractive developments at no extra cost, and there would be little effect on the countryside as a whole."

Proud union bends to survive

By Donald Macintyre

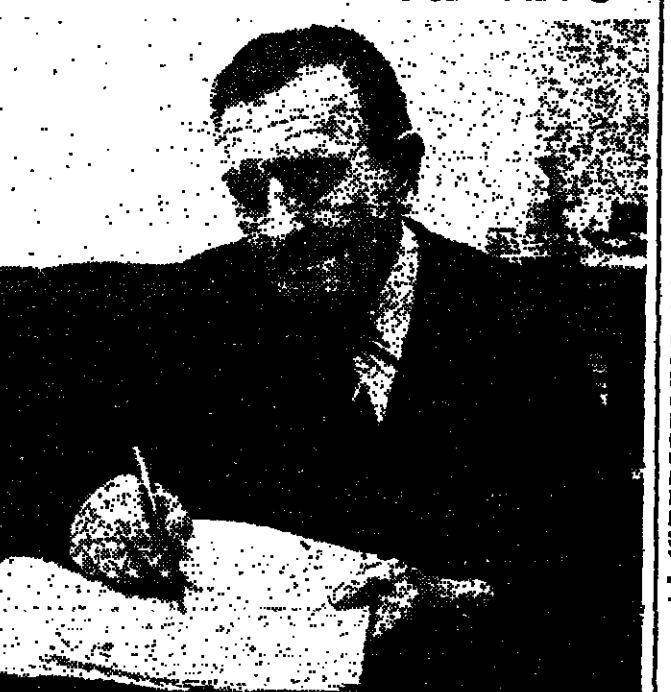
A tiny craft union with a proud century-old history and a headquarters in a modest semi-detached house in Cleckheaton, West Yorkshire, has become the first to confess openly to the TUC that it has authorized a closed-shop ballot in defiance of congress policy.

After some hesitation, the Card Setter Machine Testers' Society has told Mr Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, that in spite of its long record of scrupulous adherence to congress policy it has been forced as a matter of survival to co-operate in ballots at all three of the employers where its members are represented.

The letter admitting the breach has been sent by Mr Grenville Priestley, general secretary of the union, which has the distinction of having mounted the longest strike to take place during the First World War. His highly-skilled members make and install card clothing, the material used in the textile manufacturing process of "carding" in which fibres are separated and impurities removed.

The confessed breach by the card setters is not without political significance as it is for defiance of another tenet of the 1983 TUC Wembley conference policy that the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers is now facing possible suspension over its acceptance of government money for postal ballots.

Although about 80 ballots covering 30,000 members had been held since the Employment Act requirement for them came into force in November 1984 most unions responding to a questionnaire sent out by the TUC have said that they took place without the endorsement of officials or union leaders. The electricians' union has not entered such a disclaimer about its own members' co-operation in a ballot; but even the electricians have made the full-



Mr Grenville Priestley, who yesterday explained his union's reluctant breach of TUC policy

blooded confession of the little textile union.

In his letter, Mr Priestley apologizes for the delay in replying to the TUC questionnaire and admits the reason that "no being of that faith I avoid going in the congressional box". He adds: "It would now seem that the time has arrived when I have to come clean and, having reluctantly grasped the nettle that is what I intend to do."

Mr Priestley notes that the ballot, in which 105 of the 106 members took part, secured a 95 per cent majority in favour of retaining the closed shop. As he bluntly observes: "Some unions can flout the law and still survive even if, after engaging expensive lawyers, they lose the case and are subjected to swingeing fines. We are not in that league."

The union is unlikely to be

disciplined by the TUC's employment committee, which this week decided to circulate a formal circular to all of its affiliates warning them against co-operation with closed shop ballots.

Mr Priestley explained yesterday that there had always been 100 per cent union membership of those working in the trade, but the society had negotiated a formal closed shop in the early 70s to retain those in supervisory grades and ensure they were not recruited by other unions. Membership had stabilized since a decline from a "peak" of around 230 in the 1950s.

He added last night: "Our union will not accept government money for postal ballots because that would be against TUC policy. And we fully support the TUC's policy on GCHQ."

SAMPLE RISE IN RAIL FARE FROM JANUARY

London to	Cheap 2nd day return	Weekly season	Yearly season
Bletchley	£6.10 (£5.70)	£25.15 (£27.15)	£1,184 (£1,102)
Brighton	£7.20 (£6.80)	£30.80 (£32.70)	£1,232 (£1,142)
E Croydon	£2.10 (£1.90)	£12.80 (£11.90)	£516 (£477)
Southampton	£4.80 (£4.50)	£19.50 (£18.20)	£780 (£726)
Tonbridge	£4.10 (£3.80)	£17.25 (£16.10)	£1,080 (£1,004)
		£25.30 (£23.60)	£1,012 (£942)

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London to	2nd single	Weekday Saver ret.
Birmingham	£16 (£13.40)	£14.50 (£13)
Bournemouth	£12.70 (£12.10)	£16.50 (£15.70)
Bristol	£15.20 (£14)	£16.50 (£15)
Cardiff	£18.20 (£17.10)	£15 (£20)
Edinburgh	£22.50 (£21.50)	£25 (£24)
Glasgow	£23.50 (£22.50)	£25 (£24)
Leeds	£22.50 (£21.50)	£22 (£21)
Liverpool	£22 (£21.50)	£22 (£21)
Manchester	£22 (£21.50)	£22 (£21)
Newcastle	£22 (£21.50)	£22 (£21)
Norwich	£14.40 (£13.80)	£14.40 (£13.80)
Nottingham	£16.50 (£15.80)	£16.50 (£15.80)
Sheffield	£20.50 (£19.80)	£18.50 (£17.80)
York	£25.50 (£23)	£25 (£23)

Industry calls for help in technology investment

By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

British industry will be reduced to competing with Third World countries in low technology manufacturing unless the Government takes immediate steps to stimulate investment, according to the leader of 6,000 engineering employers.

Mr James McFarlane, director general of the Engineering Employers' Federation, writing in his organization's journal, attacks Mrs Thatcher's administration for its brusque and hostile response to last month's report by the House of Lords select committee on overseas trade.

Mr McFarlane says: "The Government's comments on the document, which dealt with the decline in the manufacturing sector, were unworthy, unjust and untrue."

Industry needed to invest in new technology, but it would not be able to do so if it was

hampered by excessive interest rates, uncompetitive exchange rates, a rising tax burden and reduced government support for investment, research, education and training.

Mrs Thatcher seemed to believe that the decline in North Sea oil production would be gradual.

"The Lords do not accept that, and neither do I. If industries within the meantime, they will not rise from the dead in response to eleven-hour incinerations as the oil

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Four years for chief of firm that sold stolen R-R parts to foreign navies

The head of a company that made vast profits from the sale of stolen parts from the Rolls-Royce engine factory at Coventry, was sentenced to four years jail yesterday at Oxford Crown Court.

David Nizer Stott, aged 59, from Turners Hill Road, East Grinstead, was found guilty at two separate trials of charges of conspiracy to handle stolen goods, corruption, and conspiracy to commit corruption.

His company, Skytrade International, was fined £100,000, and has agreed to repay Rolls-Royce £600,000 in settlement of a civil action.

Mr Jeremy Roberts, for the prosecution, told the court that parts were stolen to order during an eight-year period by Timothy Rigley, then in charge of the main store at the Ansty factory, near Coventry.

Rigley, who came from Leicester, is serving a prison sentence for theft. He supplied the parts to Skytrade International.

Skytrade was dealing with companies seeking orders for the Rolls-Royce engines fitted to ships of the Argentine Navy after the Falklands conflict. Mr Roberts said Stott was found guilty on November 5 of conspiring with two other men to handle goods

stolen by Rigley. On Wednesday he was convicted on charges of corruption, and conspiring to commit corruption. He denied the charges.

Mr Roberts said one of Stott's former partners, who is now dead, established contact at the Farnborough Air Show with Rigley, who was in charge of the main stores at the Rolls-Royce plant at Ansty.

Initial dealings over spares were legal but after Rigley was plied with gifts and money he stole parts worth hundreds of thousands of pounds, first for the former partner and then for another director, Wallace Truslove. Mr Truslove, aged 54, of East Hoathly, East Sussex, committed suicide.

Skytrade paid Rigley a small amount of money while making huge profits by selling the parts to the navies of Denmark and Iran. Towards the end of the conspiracy, Skytrade was dealing with other companies in the "secondary market" who were seeking orders from the Argentine Navy which was desperate for spares.

Police acting on a tip-off discovered Rolls-Royce spares worth £750,000 stolen by Rigley in a garage at Crawley.

They also found that Skytrade was supplying hovercraft spares to Hovefield and that its chief engineer, Mr Truslove,

was a secret shareholder and director of Skytrade through a nominee.

Stott claimed he did not know that parts were being obtained dishonestly from Rolls-Royce by his partners and he was shocked by their dishonesty.

Mr Robert Seabrook, QC, for the defence said he was drawn into the conspiracy by the activities of two forceful and dynamic personalities after they joined his company.

He added: "Certainly there came a time when he knew what was happening but his part arose through unscrupulous people using his company to market stolen parts. He was hijacked into the big profit-producing field which was beyond his own experience."

Judge Clark said that until 1973 Stott was an honest and hardworking businessman but things changed dramatically after he met Mr Truslove and another fellow director, James Moore, who died in 1978.

Stott had allowed himself to become deeply involved in the conspiracy and corruption, enjoying his share of the profits as the turnover increased from £15,000 in 1973 to more than £1 million in 1983. In some cases profit margins on stolen parts had ranged from 60 per cent to 1,000 per cent.

Police in gold case 'surprised by dogs'

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

A Scotland Yard detective described to a jury yesterday how he and a colleague crept camouflaged in darkness through the grounds of a Kent house, where they were surprised by small, powerful guard dogs.

Detective Constable John Fordham, aged 45, radioed that someone was approaching, calling to the dogs. Minutes later, he was dying from 10 stab wounds, two of them to the heart.

The chronology of events surrounding the attack on DC Fordham, during a police operation to discover missing gold from the £26 million Brink's Mat robbery, was described at the Central Criminal Court where two men are accused of his murder.

Kenneth Noye, aged 38, of West Kingsdown, Kent, and Brian Reader, aged 45, of Grove Park, south London, both businessmen, have each denied the killing.

The court was told that on the day of the murder, last January 26, Scotland Yard officers from the C11 Department, which specializes in surveillance, were watching Mr Noye's home. Detective Inspector Roland Hemming said search warrants had been issued the day before and police briefed that the address would be raided.

He described a number of radio log entries for the evening of January 26 concerning the

operation in which DC Fordham died. The log showed that after a Cavalier car driven by Mr Reader entered the cottage grounds, DC Fordham and DC Neil Murphy were ordered to move forward into the grounds at 6.15pm.

There was radio silence until, at 6.25pm, DC Murphy reported "Dogs hostile". He withdrew, and then DC Fordham reported: "Someone out. Halfway down drive, calling dogs." This was at 6.27pm, and from that time the detectives' radio was silent.

At 6.32pm DC Murphy reported a man was near his colleague, and he tried to draw him off. Five minutes later DC Murphy reported: "Man compromising John." And he reported he could see a stick or shotgun and the message noted a threat to "blow head off".

Mr Hemming said he ordered flying squad officers to stand by, and at 6.40pm ordered them into the cottage grounds. At 6.50pm there was a message: "John stabbed, lower stomach."

Cross-examined by Mr John Matthews QC, for Mr Noye, DC Murphy said there had not been any instructions on what to do about the dogs. He could not see why his colleague had not retreated. Asked why he did not take any action, he said police control was informed of what was happening.

The case continues on Monday.

'Mascot' is cleared of assaults

Mr Ken Bailey, cheer leader and England "mascot" at international sports fixtures, was yesterday cleared of indecent assault on two young boys.

Magistrates at Gillingham, Dorset, found there was no case to answer.

Mr Henry Blacksell, for the defence, submitted yesterday that the boys' evidence was contradictory and unreliable.

He said the two friends aged 12 and 13, invented the story of sexual assault after being kicked out of the flat by Mr Bailey, who caught them taking cigarettes.

Mr Bailey, a bachelor, of Parsonage Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, said as he left the court: "I've been through 14 weeks of hell since my arrest. I used to hold open house to anybody. Now I shall never let a child cross my doorstep again."

A school and youth club governor, Mr Bailey, aged 74, said that at no time had he been naked in front of two boys at his flat, as they had told the court.

He said he had been frightened to go out of his flat on Thursday night after reports of the first day of hearing in a local newspaper.

Mr Bailey, who said he had received thousands of letters of support from around the world, plans to wear his familiar John Bull top hat and tails "with pride" at a junior international badminton event at Poole today.

Sleepy village welcomes end of sect

From Michael Horsnell, Newmarket

The sleepy Suffolk village of Herringwell bade farewell yesterday to the disciples of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, the Indian guru, who set up their British headquarters at the village manor house, and braced itself for a new invasion.

Herringwell is now facing a take-over by the International Buddhist High School of

Osaka, which plans to open its doors to 200 boarders from the Far East next year.

The scarlet-clad Rajneeshs have quit their £500,000 commune after the arrest of the Bhagwan in the United States for alleged breach of immigration laws, and his departure for India amid claims of misappropriation and attempts on his life by US followers.

The Suffolk Rajneeshs

claim their departure for a new commune in The Netherlands was planned before the Bhagwan's exit from Oregon, where he had amassed a fleet of 70 Rolls-Royces.

As packing cases and copies of the Bhagwan's book, *Yoga - Alpha and Omega*, were despatched from Herringwell, Mr Satya Ganga, for the group, said: "We are sorry to be leaving. It was beautiful here. But it's exciting to be going somewhere else. The Bhagwan is still our spiritual leader, and our leaving has nothing to do with what has happened to him."

Herringwell with a population of 150, did not have a parish council but the influx of Rajneeshs legally compelled the village to set up a local authority.

There were fears that the "free love cult" would take over the running of the village. But disaster was averted by a neat stroke of bureaucratic ingenuity that split the tiny community into three wards, giving the major tenants, four council seats, and the minority villagers five.

Now the village may decide to disband its parish council.



The village manor house at Herringwell, Suffolk, former home of the Rajneeshs (Photograph: John Manning).

Young solicitors salaries rise by 20%

By Teresa Poole

The salaries of young London solicitors have risen strongly in the past 12 months with average increases of up to 20 per cent.

The latest six-monthly survey by Reuter Simkin, the legal recruitment consultancy, analysed the pay of more than 400 solicitors in London and the Home Counties. More than 90 per cent of those included were in London and most have been qualified for less than five years.

The average salary obtained by newly-qualified solicitors on their first appointment during the six months to September was £11,200, with a range from £9,000 to £12,250.

Generally, all levels of pay are higher at larger firms. A solicitor with 19 to 30 months

SOLICITORS' PAY TABLE

Qualified (Average at age 25)	Average annual salary (£)	12 month increase (%)
Up to 6 mths	10,181	13.6
7-18 mths	10,779	13.6
19-30 mths	12,372	20.2
31-42 mths	12,926	5.2
Over 3½ yrs	18,087	13.3

*For six months to September 30, 1985. Source: Reuter Simkin.

experience same qualification earns on average £10,700 in a firm with up to seven partners, £12,700 in firms with eight to 20 partners, and £14,200 in larger firms.

The average pay at all firms showed sharp increases on the previous year, especially for solicitors with up to 30 months

experience since qualification. Reuter Simkin collects its data from solicitors who are anxious to change jobs and this usually happens in the first few years of employment before reaching partnership level.

The salary figures do not include benefits such as lunch-vouchers and health insurance, although these perks were in one case considered to be worth £6,150 by the applicant. Others valued their benefits between £1,000 and £3,000 but there were many who received no benefits at all.

No figures are available for salary increases at partnership level, but pay rises given to young solicitors can probably be taken as an indication to the rising level of profits in the profession.



Mr Norman Tebbit, Conservative Party chairman, on by-election walkabout in Newcastle-upon-Tyne yesterday, where he encountered a student dressed as a clown collecting for the BBC "Children in Need" appeal.

Holiday price war gets the all-clear

By Robin Young

Sir Gordon Borrie, Director General of Fair Trading, yesterday ruled out intervention in the price war between holiday tour operators, saying that there was nothing to suggest it was aimed at driving competitors out of business.

At the same time Horizon, Britain's third largest tour operating group, confirmed that it was negotiating to buy British Caledonian's loss-making Blue Sky and Arrowsmith tour

operations to try for larger group carryings, greater buying power and reduced overheads per booking.

Horizon, if successful in acquiring British Caledonian's short-haul tour operations, would increase its capacity for next year above 1.1 million holidays, compared with 2 million or more for each of the biggest operators, Thomson and Intasun.

Mr Henry Blacksell, for the defence, submitted yesterday that the boys' evidence was contradictory and unreliable.

He said the two friends aged 12 and 13, invented the story of sexual assault after being kicked out of the flat by Mr Bailey, who caught them taking cigarettes.

Mr Bailey, a bachelor, of Parsonage Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, said as he left the court: "I've been through 14 weeks of hell since my arrest. I used to hold open house to anybody. Now I shall never let a child cross my doorstep again."

A school and youth club governor, Mr Bailey, aged 74, said that at no time had he been naked in front of two boys at his flat, as they had told the court.

He said he had been frightened to go out of his flat on Thursday night after reports of the first day of hearing in a local newspaper.

Mr Bailey, who said he had received thousands of letters of support from around the world, plans to wear his familiar John Bull top hat and tails "with pride" at a junior international badminton event at Poole today.

Asian loses stand against courts

An Asian who says he has no respect for Britain and who refused to stand up in court made legal history yesterday when the judges in the Court of Appeal allowed him to sit down and address them while they considered whether to order him to stand.

He was then told that if he wants to be heard in any court he must first agree to stand.

The court was hearing Mr Tegendrasingh's appeal against a Cambridge County

Court ruling by Judge Garfit that any actions brought by Mr Tegendrasingh should be frozen until he gave a written undertaking to stand in court.

Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, told Mr Sardar Tegendrasingh, of Tenison Avenue, Cambridge, whose appeal was solely on the point of whether he must stand in court, that they had not ordered him to stand in the Court of Appeal or it would have prejudged the issue.

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Doctors to provide details of services

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Family doctors are to be encouraged to provide prospective patients with more information about their services before they decide which practice they want to join.

The General Medical Services Committee (GMS), the British Medical Association's family doctor committee, has decided that patient information booklets and leaflets, now produced by hundreds of family doctors, should be available to prospective patients on request.

Previously the BMA had argued that such leaflets, including details of surgery and clinic times, extra services such as health visitors and details of out-of-hours cover, should be available only to existing patients.

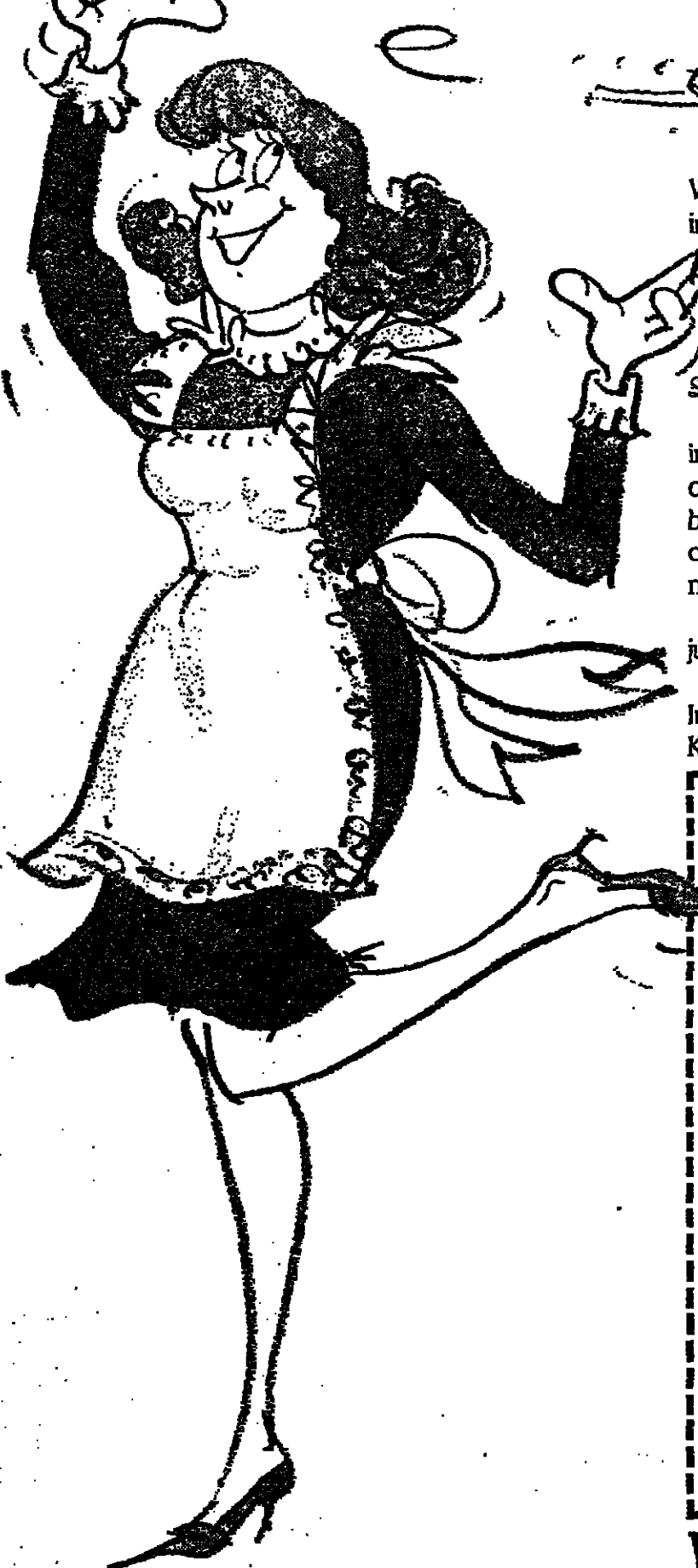
The decision comes as health ministers consider whether to force family doctors to advertise, as the Government has done to solicitors and dentists, when it produces its Green Paper on family practitioner services.

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Home Office looks again at law giving defendants in rape cases anonymity

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

The Home Office is reconsidering the law regarding anonymity for the defendant in rape cases.

Its concern arises partly from anomalies that occur where the anonymous defendant is acquitted of the rape charge but is convicted of another sexual offence arising from the same circumstances, such as indecent assault.

The Criminal Law Revision Committee said last year that newspapers were at risk of breaching the offence of reporting his conviction on such other charges because, in certain cases, the public would be able to deduce that the man convicted of indecent assault at the local crown court was the same who earlier in the week had been charged with rape.

Ministers are considering the

view that there is no justification for a general rule in such cases. One proposal is that the Press should be free to publish the fact of the defendant's acquittal of the rape offence if he is convicted of another sexual offence, naming him in the process.

More importantly, the Criminal Law Revision Committee rejects as invalid the argument that the man should be granted anonymity just because the victim has it. If a dangerous criminal charged with rape escapes before conviction, for example, under the present law, publicity cannot be used to trace him.

Mr David Mellor, Under Secretary to the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Lane, a copy of *Hansard* reporting a late-night debate on Thursday drawing attention to concern about rape sentences.

In 1982, he listed circumstances that would assist judges in determining whether a rape was a particularly serious one and thus merited a particularly severe penalty.

But, Mr Mellor points out that Lord Lane "has not yet set out further guidance as to the appropriate bandings in terms of sentences".

Mr Mellor referred to a possible parallel in a case relating to the sentencing of drug dealers. Clear bandings were given in terms of imprisonment that might be appropriate for any given value of drug smuggled.

The question is whether similar principles might be used for sentences in rape cases. The Lord Chief Justice "must make of it what he will", Mr Mellor told the House.

Sikhs jailed for attack on Indian Commission

Four Sikhs who took part in an attack on the Indian High Commission had "cast a slur" on the proud name of their community, a judge at the Central Criminal Court said yesterday.

The men, involved in a revenge raid for the storming in India of the Golden Temple of Amritsar, had acted with religious fervour and political animosity, Judge Abdulla, QC, said. But the court was no "political forum" and serious offences would be met by the "full rigour of the law".

Joginder Bal, aged 46, and Karamjit Padda, age 27, both of Northampton Avenue, Slough, were each jailed for 27 months for conspiracy to commit damage and arson.

Paramjit Sohal, aged 23, of Wexham Road, Slough, and Manmohan Bajaj, aged 35, of Beconsfield Road, Southall, west London, were each sentenced to nine months, with six months suspended, for conspiracy to damage. All had pleaded not guilty.

Mr John Crocker, for the prosecution, said a crowd of angry Sikhs gathered at the High Commission in Aldwych, breaking windows and throwing paraffin bombs and burning rags inside, causing £5,500 damage.

£3m paid after football fire

More than £3 million of the £4 million raised for the Bradford City fire disaster appeal fund would have been paid out by the end of this month, its trustees said yesterday.

About £2.6 million was to be shared out next week according to a system of uneven payments relative to the degree of suffering caused in the football ground fire. That was in addition to the £750,000 already paid out.

Nuclear petition

The signatures of 125,000 Christians throughout Scotland backing a call for a nuclear freeze were handed in at No 10 Downing Street yesterday. Seven church leaders presented the document urging the Government to take a lead in promoting an international moratorium on the production, testing and deployment of new nuclear weapons.

Guard on tree

There is a police guard on Britain's most famous Christmas tree, due to be put up in Trafalgar Square, London, tomorrow after arriving at Felixstowe yesterday from Norway. Two years ago, vandals cut 10ft off the top of the annual gift as it lay on the docks.

Marquis fined

The Marquis of Ailesbury was fined £1,000 by Bristol magistrates yesterday for failing to fill in forms relating to the ownership of two cars after parking offences committed by his daughter.



Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of the jailed African National Congress leader, leaving the Volkskospital in Cape Town after visiting him yesterday

Mandela's fate still in doubt after visit by advisers

From Michael Hornsby, Cape Town

A meeting between Mr Nelson Mandela, the leader of the outlawed African National Congress (ANC) who has been in jail for the past 23 years, and his legal advisers has failed to clarify his future after speculation that he may be freed.

Mr Mandela, aged 67, has been in the Volkskospital - an establishment mainly used by Afrikaner whites in a tree-shaded street on the lower slopes of Table Mountain - since being taken there from Robben Island Prison for an operation to remove an enlarged prostate gland on November 3.

After talking to Mr Mandela for more than two hours in his hospital ward yesterday morning, Mr Ismail Ayob, an attorney, and Mr George Bizos, a Johannesburg advocate, told journalists that prison regulations barred them from disclosing the contents of discussions with their client.

Much of the speculation about Mr Mandela including reports that he is about to be set free, has been fuelled by his continued stay in hospital nearly three weeks after a relatively routine operation from which he is said to have made a complete recovery.

One of the most persistent rumours this week was that he was to be released on condition that he agreed to be flown to Lusaka, the Zambian capital, where the ANC has its headquarters. One theory was that he had rejected the offer.

A spokesman for President Botha's office in Pretoria said yesterday that there was no truth in rumours of Mr Mandela's imminent release. There was, he insisted, "nothing on the cards and nothing on the go", but the offer made in

February to release Mr Mandela if he renounced violence still stood.

The portly Mr Bizos, a veteran civil rights lawyer who defended Mr Mandela at the 1963-64 trial which led to Mr Mandela's jailing for life for sabotage in addition to an earlier five-year sentence for incitement and leaving the country without a passport, played a dead beat to all questions about his client.

Was it true that he and Mr Ayob had come to discuss a new offer by the Government under which Mr Mandela might be released subject to certain conditions? "We do not know about that."

What was the purpose of their consultations with Mr Mandela? "To consult Mr Mandela."

Was it anything more than a normal meeting with their client? "It was a meeting between Mr Mandela and his lawyers." But was there any special reason for it? "Well, there are always reasons, but we ask you to respect the confidentiality of legal consultations."

Mr Mandela's wife, Winnie, said on Thursday that permission had been sought from the Minister of Justice because of "unprecedented speculation" about his health.

After their meeting with Mr Mandela, Mr Ayob and Mr Bizos flew back to Johannesburg. Asked if they planned to return to Cape Town, Mr Bizos said: "We do not know at this stage what the future holds."

Mrs Mandela saw her husband briefly yesterday morning.

Pretoria police concede 13 riot deaths

From Ray Kennedy, Johannesburg

Thirteen blacks were killed in Mamelodi township outside Pretoria after South African police fired on crowds of demonstrators on Thursday. Police bulletins on Thursday had recorded only two fatalities, but an official police bulletin yesterday said patrols had since found more bodies in the township.

A spokesman said: "We cannot say how many of these deaths were the result of police action and how many were killed by rioters."

The police also admitted, in spite of earlier denials and after eye-witness reports, that tear gas may have been fired into the crowds from a helicopter.

According to a spokesman, the police in Mamelodi had been confronted by "particularly violent mobs".

The Mamelodi toll is the highest in a single incident of township unrest since police killed 20 people and wounded more than 40 in Langa township in the Eastern Cape Province in March. A subsequent judicial inquiry appointed by President Botha found that there had been some police indiscipline.

Community leaders in Mamelodi township yesterday asked for an urgent meeting with Mr Louis Le Grange, Minister of Law and Order. Several of the people killed were elderly women. A spokesman for the residents' association said: "The demonstration by our mothers was peaceful but they were not given a chance to air their grievances."

He said there was no warning from the police before the shooting began.

Remain "pulls out": The French, it was noted, Renault car firm is pulling out of South Africa because of the "severe deterioration of the economic environment", the company said yesterday (AFP reports).

The decision follows the announcement earlier this week by another French car company, Peugeot, that it is to end its South African operations.

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US Navy man held for spying

From Mohsin Ali Washington

A civilian counter-intelligence analyst for the US Navy has been arrested on espionage charges, accused of providing defence secrets to a foreign government.

Administration sources alleged that Mr Jonathan Pollard, aged 31, an analyst for the Naval Investigative Service, was selling sensitive military secrets to Israel.

But the Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman in Jerusalem yesterday said: "We do not have the slightest idea what the story is about." He added that Israel had had no contacts with Mr Pollard and had not heard of him before his name was published by the press.

Mr Pollard was arrested on Thursday morning outside the Israeli Embassy. An embassy spokesman said yesterday: "We are aware of the fact that someone was detained in front of the embassy. We are checking the story."

An authoritative Israeli source said any activity in America of the kind alleged would be completely contrary to Israel's policy.

Mr Pollard was refused bail after a federal prosecutor told a magistrate that the circumstances surrounding his arrest indicated he had "some intention to leave the country."

The prosecutor also said in court that Mr Pollard had admitted having "a large amount of money" that was payment for the secret documents he allegedly turned over to a foreign government. The Federal Bureau of Investigation's announcement of the arrest and the charges filed in court did not identify Israel as the foreign government involved.

Eternal flame lit to honour Spain's fallen

Madrid - King Juan Carlos of Spain yesterday marked 50 years as monarch by inaugurating a national monument here to those who gave their lives for their country (Richard Wigg writes).

Watched by a few surviving veterans of both sides in the Civil War, he lit what is to be an eternal flame underneath a marble obelisk as buglers in ceremonial uniform sounded the Last Post. The king was accompanied by Queen Sofia, and watched by the service chiefs and the Cabinet, led by Señor Felipe Gonzalez.

Foreign heads of state visiting Spain will now be expected to lay a wreath before the obelisk in central Madrid.

New Shia offensive in buffer zone

From Ian Murray, Naqoura, Southern Lebanon

There has been a sharp increase this month in the number of armed attacks on Israeli-backed "South Lebanon Army" (SLA) by the Shia Amal militia in southern Lebanon, according to reports reaching UN headquarters here.

UN observers believe that the group has been forced into a new offensive to counter Israeli claims that its "security zone" inside the Lebanese border has been outstandingly successful in preventing armed attacks on Israel.

"A claim like that is made one day in Jerusalem and you feel its fall-out here the next," UN spokesman said. The Amal is increasingly sensitive at being branded as "sandbags" because of its success in restoring peace to the area it controls.

This month, however, the

St John-Stevas hears jazz dissidents' fears

From Richard Bassett, Budapest

Members of the suppressed Czechoslovak jazz scene conferred secretly with Mr Norman St John-Stevas in Budapest yesterday about their fears for the survival of their movement in the face of repeated harassment by the Prague authorities.

Mr St John-Stevas, Conservative MP for Chesham, was in Budapest as head of the British delegation to the European Cultural Forum, heard that the authorities were conspiring to block the section's activities at every turn.

Its 6,000 members, the only musicians in Czechoslovakia to preserve the freedom to play jazz, are seen by the Government as a threat.

His meeting yesterday, in the corner of a deserted nineteenth-century coffee house, underlines the British delegation's determi-

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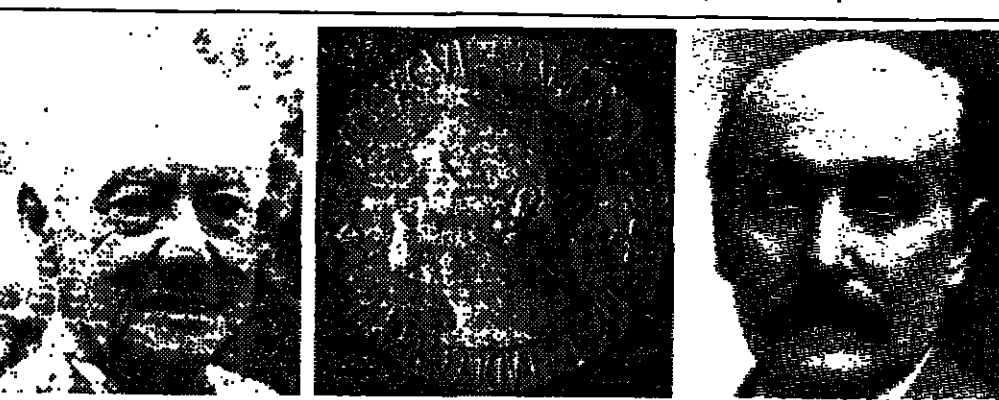
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English Nobel medal fetches £11,550

The first Nobel Peace Prize medal to be awarded to an Englishman was sold for £11,550 at Sotheby's yesterday to an overseas private collector through a representative of Spinks, the coin dealers. The prize was awarded in 1903 to Sir William Randal Cremer (above, right), who among other things originated the idea for

Speaker's Corner in Hyde Park, London, for his work with the International Arbitration League, which merged with the Mondicivian Republic movement for peaceful international relations in 1962. Dr Hugh Schonfield (left), founder of the movement, was the vendor of the medal. Proceeds will go to the Republic. Saleroom, Page 10

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Unesco decision will be made by Christmas

OVERSEAS AID

An announcement of the Government's decision to withdraw from the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation would be made before the Christmas recess, Mr Timothy Raison, Minister for Overseas Development, said in the commons when opening a debate on Unesco.

He had told the recent Unesco general conference that without the thoroughgoing and comprehensive reform on which the United Kingdom was insisting, its intention to withdraw would be confirmed.

Unesco had been beset with problems of inefficiency, over-politicisation and obscure programmes for many years. There had been slow-moving, over-centralised, top-heavy administration with outdated procedures and poor delegation of authority.

The organization had been increasingly used as a forum for the propagation of repugnant ideas. Its activities had too often been used as a medium for communist rhetoric and too much money had been spent on too many meetings and studies, often of doubtful value.

Some improvements had been made but the Government now had to judge whether these measures were enough, whether they would be properly implemented, and whether others had wholeheartedly embraced the idea that reform was necessary and urgent or reluctantly gone along with as much as they

believed was needed to stop the UK and others leaving.

Saving in Unesco would cost the UK £6.4 million next year. They had to ask if that money could be put to better use if it were devoted to other activities in education, science and culture within the overall aid budget.

If the UK withdrew, increased communist influence within the organisation would depend on a number of imponderable factors. But to suggest that, following the withdrawal of the United States, only the UK could counter Soviet advances was far from complacent to many of its closest allies and underestimated the good sense of Commonwealth and other friends.

Mr George Footlakes, an Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs, said this was a vital issue and a test of the UK's commitment to the third world. Of course the UK had a right and a duty to ensure the organisation worked effectively and efficiently, but he questioned the Government's tactics of making threats.

Many people suspected the threat to withdraw was a political decision made under pressure from the United States whose own withdrawal had nothing to do with the desire for reform. The US had decided to bring the UK along with it and to put over and cover pressure on the UK Government.

Mr Raison intervened to say there had been no pressure on the British Government from the United States.

Mr Footlakes maintained there had been such pressure and said the UK should be encouraging the US to go back into Unesco. He said there had been substantial progress made.

The *Times* had been turned from a newspaper into a lobby sheet on this issue.

Withdrawal would damage Britain's relations with the Commonwealth, the EEC and developing countries. Financially, Britain benefited from membership by \$6 million a year.

It would be an isolationist step (he added), merely to appease the Americans.

Mr Edward Heath (Old Bexley and Sidcup, C) said if the Government persisted in withdrawing it would be making a grave error with very dangerous consequences for Britain and one which many MPs and millions outside would inevitably regret.

There is no justification (he added) in taking any notice of the position of the United States in this matter. Those of us who know America understand it is passing through a time of intense and very distressing nationalism in which it believes it walks high and the rest of the world has to do what it demands.

It is a reaction, and a very unpleasant reaction, to its defeat in Vietnam.

The Government had made disastrous mistakes in cutting grants to overseas students, funds to the British Council and to overseas broadcasting.

I regret to come to the conclusion (he went on) that there is a growth of nasty, narrow-minded nationalism which believes we can survive without the rest of the world and in its more arrogant form, that we can just tell the world what it ought to do.

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, L) said he agreed with Mr Heath that if Britain did not stay in it stood accused of retreating into narrow nationalism.

It might be time for new leadership in Unesco, but the fate of an organization should not be judged on the basis of one incumbent.

Sir Anthony Kershaw (Stroud, C) said the Selection Committee on Foreign Affairs, of which he is chairman, concluded that Britain ought to stay in Unesco.

The committee did not like the idea of the new world information

order, which would restrict press freedom, or the switch to "people's rights" from "human rights" and human rights. But there was a great deal of practical work done by Unesco which needed supporting.

Scientific work and the teaching of literacy around the world were extremely important.

He did not mind the various lobbies and did not see why *The Times* should not campaign for withdrawal if it pleased.

Mr Cyril Townsend (Bexleyheath, C) said the minister was writing a furious letter to *The Times* bitterly criticizing the line they were taking and the many inaccuracies made. I share Mr Raison's view.

Mr Anthony Kershaw: I do not see why *The Times* should not campaign if it wishes to. I do not see why *The Guardian* should not campaign if it wishes to.

Mr Footlakes: In *The Times* there were gross inaccuracies. At some stage bordering on lies about Unesco. That is not worthy of a newspaper with the history *The Times* has.

Mr Tony Benn (Chesterfield, Lab) also made what he afterwards described as "laughing references to *The Times*" during a speech supporting membership of Unesco.

What (he said) I loved about the debate best was the sudden resurrection of the quiet old idea that *The Times* is fair. I thought that and died years ago, that *The Times* was fair.

With Mr Rupert Murdoch running it the man who owns *The Sun* and insulted Mr Heath in an article the other day "Heath on the couch" on polling day in Chesterfield.

The idea that Mr Murdoch and *The Times* are other than scurrilous sheets reflecting the views of their proprietor? Come, come. I hope I have not got to say that is true in order to persuade the rest of the world to read *The Times*.

What Mr Raison meant by personal rights was the right of Mr Murdoch to dominate the media of the third world, and not the right of the people there to have their own communications network. It was the right of the rich to dominate the media of the poor. The people who were frightened by the new world information order were the media moguls.

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Gorbachov returns with vital boost to prestige

Washington sends an envoy to brief China

Peking (Reuters) - Mr Paul Wolfowitz, US Assistant Secretary of State, flies to Peking today to brief China on the results of the summit. He will also visit Japan and South Korea.

Historian writes Reagan story

Washington (Reuters) - President Reagan has selected Kenya-born Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Edmund Morris to be his biographer and is giving him a rare insider's view of the presidential life. A White House official said.

Miracle of the multiplying fish

Geneva (AP) - The White House said yesterday that one of the exotic fish President Reagan was feeding in Geneva died, but a spokeswoman for the Aga Khan's son, Husain, aged 11, said this was not so.

Between 10 and 15 more fish were found in the aquarium when the family moved back into the Maison de Saussure.

"We believe the President's staff bought them," the spokeswoman said.



Mr Gorbachov being greeted on his return to Moscow from Prague. Front row, from left: Mr Yegor Ligachov, Politburo member; President Gromyko; Mr Gorbachov and Mr Nikolai Ryzhkov, Chairman of the Council of Ministers.

Nato officials cheered by Moscow move on INF

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

Western diplomats hope that one positive outcome of this week's summit could be early progress in talks on intermediate-range nuclear force (INF) weapons when the Geneva arms talks resume in January - an issue referred to in the joint summit statement.

Although no-one is predicting a breakthrough at this stage, it has been noted that there is a degree of convergence on INF between the most recent arms proposals put forward by the US and the Soviet Union.

Nato officials have been particularly encouraged by the Soviet decision to drop the linkage between the INF talks and President Reagan's Star Wars defence programme. Moscow had originally made progress in both the INF and strategic weapons talks conditional on the US abandoning

waiting for the weekend to analyse the main Soviet comment.

Interest is also centred on the extent to which the Kremlin propaganda machine will keep up its fierce campaign against all aspects of US policy in the prelude to the summit. "The tone will be one way to judge just how great is the thaw in relations," one observer said.

Much Soviet attention was devoted to Mr Gorbachov's press conference in Geneva, which was twice shown in full by Soviet television in less than 12 hours. (The only cut noticeable in the second version was the omission of a question asked by a woman correspondent from *The Guardian* to put a question).

Mr Gorbachov's performance was judged by senior diplomats to have been a successful follow-up to that in Paris last month.

It was noted as indicative of the new and highly-oiled Moscow public relations machine that the leader of the Soviet Union was seen as more willing to face the world's press in open forum than was the leader of the United States.

Westerners with a view to obtaining tickets to any concert by the US pop group the Beach Boys - one possibility mentioned by President Reagan before the meeting.

Among the large Western community, which lives in Moscow in a series of closely-guarded compounds, there are hopes that a move towards détente might lift some of the suspicion under which they carry out much of their daily lives.

"Time will tell just how tangible the spirit of Geneva is going to be," said one American resident.

For many Moscovites, one of the most novel aspects of the summit was the opportunity of seeing President Reagan, who is usually depicted by the state media as an ogre, appearing twice in one day on Soviet television, his words clearly audible in English above the Russian translation.

Judging by comments after the initial live broadcast of the Geneva ceremony, which was repeated in full at peak viewing time, Soviet viewers were pleased to have the opportunity of seeing the US leader for

themselves. Several said he did not look as old as they had expected.

"He looked quite human, quite like any other man of his age," said one female construction worker on a site near the city centre. "It was a good thing that he talked with Mr Gorbachov, and a good thing that they are going to go on meeting in the future."

Because of the absence of so many Soviet personalities in Geneva, and later at Mr Gorbachov's stopover in Prague, initial comment in the Soviet press was muted.

The optimistic stand he took during his press conference was followed by *Izvestia*, which claimed that only those who had been expecting a miracle, or a complete failure, would be disappointed by the Geneva meeting.

Thursday evening's edition did not appear until yesterday, but diplomats said this was normal practice in view of such an important event, allowing it the same opportunity for full coverage as *Pravda*, the morning Communist Party paper. Western observers are now

President gives Congress the message 'Steady as we go'

The following are extracts from the text of President Reagan's address to a joint session of Congress on Thursday (Reuters reports).

Mr Speaker, Mr President, members of the Congress, distinguished guests, my fellow Americans:

As you know, I have just come from Geneva and talks with General Secretary Gorbachov. In the past few days, we spent over 15 hours in various meetings with the General Secretary and the members of his official party. Approximately five of those hours were talks between Mr Gorbachov and myself, one on one. That was the best part - our fireside summit.

We met, as we had to meet. I had called for a fresh start - and we made that start. I can't claim we had a meeting of the minds on such fundamentals as ideology or national purpose, but we understand each other better. That's the key to peace. I gained a better perspective; I felt he did, too.

Soviet leader is a good listener

It was a constructive meeting. So constructive, in fact, that I look forward to welcoming Mr Gorbachov to the United States next year. And I have accepted his invitation to go to Moscow the following year.

I found Mr Gorbachov to be an energetic defender of Soviet policy. He was an eloquent speaker, and a good listener. Our subject matter was shaped by the fact of this century.

These past 40 years have not been an easy time for the West or the world. You know the facts: there is no need to recite the historical record. Suffice it to say that the United States cannot afford illusions about the nature of the USSR. We cannot assume that their ideology and purpose will change. This implies enduring competition.

Our task is to ensure that this competition remains peaceful. With all that divides us, we cannot afford to let confusion complicate things further. We must be clear with each other and direct. We must pay each other the tribute of candour.

When I took the oath of office for the first time, we began dealing with the Soviet Union in a way that was more realistic than in the recent past. And so... preparations for the summit started... five years ago when - with the help of Congress - we began strengthening our economy, restoring our national will and rebuilding our defences and alliances.

America is once again strong and our strength has given us the ability to speak with confidence and see that no true opportunity to advance freedom and peace is lost. We must not now abandon policies that work. I need your continued support to keep America strong.

We discussed the great issues of our time. I made clear before

the first meeting that no question would be swept aside, no issue buried, just because either side found it uncomfortable or inconvenient.

We discussed nuclear arms and how to reduce them. I explained our proposals for equitable, verifiable and deep reductions. I outlined my conviction that our proposals would make not just for a world that feels safer but that really is safer.

I am pleased to report tonight that General Secretary Gorbachov and I did make a measure of progress here. While we still have a long ways to go, we're at least heading in the right direction. We moved arms control forward from where we were last January, when the Soviets returned to the table.

We are both instructing our negotiators to hasten their vital work. The world is waiting for results.

The President then went into more detail of the Geneva agreements.

Mr Gorbachov insisted that we might use a strategic defence system to put offensive weapons into space and establish nuclear superiority.

I made it clear that SDI has nothing to do with offensive weapons; that, instead, we are investigating non-nuclear defensive systems that would only threaten offensive missiles, not people. If our research succeeds, it will bring much closer the safer, more stable world we seek. Nations could defend themselves against missile attack, and mankind, at long last, escape the prison of mutual terror - this is my dream.

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So I welcomed the chance to tell Mr Gorbachov that we are a nation that defends, rather than attacks, that our alliances are defensive, not offensive. We don't seek nuclear superiority. We do not seek a first-strike advantage over the Soviet Union. Indeed, one of my fundamental arms control objectives is to get rid of first-strike weapons altogether.

This is why we have proposed a 50 per cent reduction in the most threatening nuclear weapons, especially those that could carry out a first strike.

I described our proposal in the Geneva negotiations for a reciprocal programme of open laboratories in strategic defence research. We are offering to permit Soviet experts to see first hand that SDI does not involve offensive weapons.

American scientists would be allowed to visit comparable facilities of the Soviet strategic defence programme, which, in fact, has involved much more than research for many years.

Finally, I reassured Mr Gorbachov on another point. I promised that if our research reveals that a defence against nuclear missiles is possible, we would sit down with our allies and the Soviet Union to see

how together we could replace all strategic ballistic missiles with such a defence, which threatens no one.

We discussed threats to the peace in several regions of the world. I explained my proposals for a peace process to stop the wars in Afghanistan, Nicaragua, Ethiopia, Angola and (Cambodia), where insurgencies that speak for the people are pitted against regimes which obviously do not represent the will or the approval of the people. I tried to be very clear about where our sympathies lie; I believe I succeeded.

We discussed human rights. We Americans believe that history teaches no clearer lesson than this: those countries which respect the rights of their own people tend, inevitably, to respect the rights of their neighbours. Human rights, therefore, is not an abstract moral issue - it is a peace issue.

Finally, we discussed the barriers to communication between our societies, and I elaborated on my proposals for real people-to-people contacts on a wide scale.

Americans should know the people of the Soviet Union - their hopes and fears and the facts of their lives. And citizens of the Soviet Union need to know of America's deep desire for peace and our unwavering attachment to freedom.

Steps to a more stable relationship

We remain far apart on a number of issues, as had to be expected. However, we reached agreement on a number of matters.

We have concluded a new agreement designed to bring the best of America's artists and academics to the Soviet Union. As a potential way of dealing with the energy needs of the world of the future, we have also advocated international cooperation to explore the feasibility of developing fusion energy.

All of these steps are part of a long-term effort to build a more stable relationship with the Soviet Union. No one ever said it would be easy. But we've come a long way.

As for Soviet expansionism in a number of regions of the world, while there is little chance of immediate change, we will continue to support the heroic efforts of those who fight for freedom. But we have also agreed to continue - and to intensify - our meetings with the Soviets on this and other regional conflicts and to work towards political solutions.

Thirty years ago, when he, too, had just returned from a summit in Geneva, President Eisenhower said, "... the wide gulf that separates so far East and West... (is)... wide and deep". Today, three decades later, that is still true.

But, yes, this meeting was worthwhile for both sides. A new realism spawned the summit; the summit itself was a good start; and now our byword must be: steady as we go.



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Injuries show how Indian jumbo jet victims were thrown out at high altitude

Delhi (Reuters) - A British Government pathologist yesterday told India's official inquiry into the June 23 Air-India Boeing 747 crash, in which 329 people died, that the injuries of victims showed the aircraft had broken up in mid-air.

Mr Ian Hill, of the accident investigation branch of the Department of Trade, told Judge B. N. Kirpal, who asked why he believed there was a mid-air break. "There is the circumstantial evidence of the wreckage spread and apparent suddenness of the accident, loss of clothing, complex pattern of injuries I have seen..."

Mr Hill, who has investigated more than 100 air crashes, said the 131 bodies recovered from the sea all came from the central and rear parts of the plane, with the worst injuries in zone "E" at the rear.

Eight of the bodies showed "flail injuries", those caused by rotation of the limbs, indicating that victims were thrown out at high altitude, he said.

"There would have been no flail injuries if the aircraft had broken up when it hit the water,"

he said. Most victims with flail injuries were at the rear.

The Boeing 747 was flying from Toronto to Bombay via London when it plunged into the sea off Ireland, killing all those on board and scattering wreckage more than five miles along the seabed.

Mr Hill said the injuries did not suggest an explosion in the immediate vicinity of the passengers, but did rule out an explosion in a cargo hold.

The report of the Indian Inspector of Accidents said that an explosion had apparently caused the disaster. It said wreckage indicated a rupture in a rear cargo area.

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Liberia tightens its belt and calls for continued US aid

Abidjan (AFP) - General Samuel Doe, Liberia's military leader, has called on the United States to continue its aid to his "militant" corps, the clergy, local officials and business men, the announced stringent austerity measures aimed at countering the losses caused by the failed November 12 coup against his government.

In a nationwide radio message monitored in the Ivory Coast, General Doe also warned that some of the coup plotters were still at large.

Liberia was still "in danger", he said, calling on the population to join efforts to track down the conspirators.

He also reiterated charges that the government of neighbouring Sierra Leone and the opposition Liberia Action Party (LAP) had been involved in the coup attempt, which was led by former armed forces chief Thomas Quiwonkpa.

Stressing the serious adverse economic effects of the coup and of the curfew imposed after loyalists troops defeated the plot, General Doe called on the United States, Liberia's principal source of aid, to maintain its assistance.

After national elections last month, which were won by General Doe amid widespread charges of vote-counting fraud, Washington threatened to cut aid to \$90 million (\$62 million in annual aid to Liberia) in annual aid to Liberia, for involvement in the coup if the polls were not proven to have been fair.

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Alarm over Queensland 'perverts' law

From Stephen Taylor, Sydney

A new law is causing consternation to hotel licensees in Queensland, Australia, who are being forced to consider which of their customers might be homosexuals. The state's homosexuals are somewhat bothered by the law as well.

The Parliament of the "Deep North", controlled for the past 17 years by the profoundly conservative Government of Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen, this week approved amendments banning "drug dealers, sexual perverts or

deviants and child molesters" from bars.

Alarmed hoteliers, who control most of the liquor supply, have asked the Government for clarification of the law. As things now stand a publican who serves alcohol to a "pervert" three times stands to have his hotel closed down.

The drafting and wording of the amendment to the Liquor Act was denounced by legal experts. One law lecturer said it made the state Parliament

"look like a workshop for retarded legislators".

Queensland homosexual groups are to hold a meeting. The New South Wales Parliament also upset the homosexual community this week by passing legislation aimed at curbing the spread of the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

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French agents jailed for Greenpeace bombing hope to be deported

Auckland, New Zealand. (Reuters) - Two French agents who admitted their guilt in blowing up the Greenpeace protest ship Rainbow Warrior and were jailed for 10 years are unlikely to appeal, their lawyer said.

Major Alain Mafart, aged 35, and Captain Dominique Prieur, aged 36, who were told by Chief Justice Sir Ronald Davidson that the raid in Auckland harbour on July 10, was "an attack on the peace-loving people" of New Zealand, pleaded guilty earlier this month to manslaughter and sabotage charges in the raiding of the converted trawler, flagship of a flotilla protesting against French nuclear tests, and the death of a crewmember.

Their Paris-appointed lawyer said later an appeal was unlikely. Asked if the pair were resigned to the long jail term, Daniel Soulez La Riviere told reporters: "They are soldiers."

In a plea for mercy, he had described Prieur, dressed in a bright pink sweater, her eyes hidden by large dark glasses, as a contented housewife who enjoyed knitting and cooking for her husband.

Mafart, the lawyer said, was a dedicated conservationist and marine biologist who had learned to play the bagpipes during his four months in jail awaiting trial.

Both were sentenced five months to the day after they entered New Zealand on false Swiss passports in an affair which deeply embarrassed the French Government and caused the resignations of the defence

minister and secret service chief.

The judge said that he would leave deportation decisions to the Government but said they "should not be given a short holiday at the expense of the (New Zealand) Government and remain home as heroes."

At a press conference in Paris yesterday, French President Francois Mitterrand blamed the affair on a "lack of discipline" in the services involved.

Prieur said yesterday: "I never felt like a terrorist... I just did what I had to do."

Interviewed by telephone from prison by French radio after the trial, she said the sentences were no surprise. "We were expecting between five and 10 years. It's the maximum."

The prosecution drew a lot of analogies with terrorism. That's not very pleasant for somebody who is a soldier and who did her job as she was asked to," she added.

She said she hoped to be deported to France, but was nervous about Pais trying to exert pressure on her behalf.

"I wonder if the sentence today wasn't caused by the pressure which has been exerted already. Perhaps by the media, perhaps as a result of mistakes from one quarter or another."

Two weeks ago the New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr David Lange, denied a claim by French Defence Minister M Paul Quilès that the two government were already negotiating the agents' fate.

Jacques Toubon, secretary-general of the opposition RPR

party, said the affair was now in a political phase and that France "should not behave like a weak power."

"This means that France should not demean itself and make excuses. One can obtain from the New Zealand authorities what is no more than justice - that these officers be returned to our country."

The RPR has suggested that France should threaten to block New Zealand's farm exports to the European Community unless the agents are released.

PARIS: in spite of the severity of the most of sentence most of the French remained convinced yesterday that their government would do a deal with New Zealand to secure the early release and expulsion of the two French secret agents.

From the outset, they have been presented here simply as two French officers carrying out their duty in the interest of their country, and who were therefore not strictly guilty of anything, in spite of being involved in a sabotage mission which resulted in the death of a man.

It was at first widely assumed that the French Government would negotiate their release before the end of the trial, and that the two agents would be home by Christmas. Now, the realities of the rigorous independence of the Anglo-Saxon legal system are beginning to sink home, and people are beginning to accept that the trial had to run its course without political intervention.

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Warsaw pressure to muzzle priest

Warsaw - Polish authorities are putting strong pressure on the Catholic Church to muzzle Father Henryk Jankowski, an outspoken champion of the banned Solidarity union and a confidant of the movement's leader, Mr Lech Walesa (Roger Boyes writes).

The Gdansk Council for Religious Affairs has told the Church hierarchy in the Baltic

seaport that Father Jankowski's activities are "harmful for the state". The authorities have decided to invoke a 1956 administrative decree which calls on church leadership to bring into line an errant priest.

Under the decree, if the priest refuses to stop his "harmful activities" he may be deprived of his post. The communist authorities cannot defrock a priest.

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China takes UK to task over colony

Peking (Reuters) - China announced yesterday that talks with Britain on Hong Kong would resume next week. The announcement came after criticism of British policy by China's top representative in the colony.

The official New China News Agency said the Sino-British Joint Liaison Group would hold detailed talks in Peking on the future of Hong Kong.

The group was set up after last December's agreement by Britain and China that the territory would revert to Peking's control in 1997.

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Pope seeks Curia's absolute obedience

From Peter Nicholas, Rome

The Pope has used his flair for the dramatic to concentrate attention on the speech he will make tomorrow in St Peter's to open his international synod of bishops by making it the third of a trilogy.

He has already addressed the Sacred College of Cardinals and, in the unprecedented series of meetings here amounting to a genuine summit of the Roman Catholic Church, has also defined the tasks of the Roman Curia, the Church's central administration.

He called on Thursday for "absolute obedience" from these civil servants, and made clear that there could be no question of regarding the Curia as some sort of "parallel" authority to that of the Pope. At the same time, he spoke with great warmth about his relationship with the College of Cardinals.

One explanation for the

severity with which he spoke about the Roman Curia is that reforms now being considered by him and by the Sacred College are designed to free him to some degree of administrative matters which he finds irksome.

His praise for the Sacred College includes his description of the meeting due to end today as an "authoritative" prelude to the bishops' synod opening tomorrow.

In doing so, he has raised expectations still more - as to what he will have to say to the bishops, whose office is generally seen to be something qualitatively different from the college.

It is to the bishops, meeting in this extraordinary general assembly of the synod, that he has given the task of reviewing the application over the last years of the Second Vatican Council.

Censorship Bill passed in Harare

Harare - The House of Assembly has rapidly approved of new press censorship laws which go considerably beyond the restraints imposed by Zimbabwe's existing legislation.

In terms of the Courts and Adjudicating Authorities (Publicity Restriction) Bill, any government-related body, from the Supreme Court to a sub-committee on a rural council, may prohibit all publicity.

It may do so on the exhaustive grounds of defence, interests, public safety, the economic interests of the state or of public morality.

Not only are the proceedings in question affected, but the parties involved in the proceedings, the venue and the date on which they are held also come within the proposed legislation.

Contravention carries a penalty of Zim\$5,000 (£2,050) or five years in jail.

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SPORTING DIARY

Simon Barnes

Strong-arm tactics

The International Weightlifting Federation has become the first sporting organization to demand random dope-testing of competitors both in and out of season. While competitors in most sports are tested only at major competitions, next year all weightlifting nations must sign a declaration making their competitors available for testing at any time the federation should demand it. It is possible to take drugs in a planned way, so that by coming off the drug just before competitions, most of the advantages are available without the danger of failing a dope test. The new experiment will attract great interest from many other sports — not least from field athletics. Communist bloc countries — often supposed to be a haven for state-encouraged artificial enhancement of muscles — are behind the new testing system; Hungary is a proposer, the Soviet Union a supporter.

The move follows an experiment this year in which competing nations agreed to random testing at any time during major championships, instead of merely after their event. The result was not uninteresting. In 1984, 57 world records were broken. This year — admittedly a post-Olympic year — a mere three.

Scrum-laugh

Andy Ripley, rugby player and great man, captained the multinational Major Stanley's XV in the match against Oxford University on Wednesday. His half-time talk was characteristically inspirational. "OK Sandro," he said to scrum-half Sandro Ghini, "tell us a joke in Italian." Ghini did so. Ripley's men could not fail after that.

Boulevard

Europe's most respected sports newspaper, *L'Equipe*, has been assessing five of the cities contending for host status of the 1992 Olympic Games. It puts Birmingham right at the bottom of the list, citing as reasons: "Racial riots which trouble the city sporadically", football hooliganism — not the most obvious of problems in high summer, naturally, the fact that Birmingham is "an overcrowded city in the Black Country". Three guesses which city it places joint first. Funnily enough, it is Paris.

Holey ghost

The ultimate sporting prize awaits any golfer who scores a hole-in-one at the eighth in the New South Wales PGA tournament — \$10,000 in cash or a pre-paid funeral. With a monument, naturally, if the competition needs a play-off to decide the winner, the eighth will, inevitably, be used as a sudden death hole.

BARRY FANTONI



'Neville's against the Channel. He says it will absolutely ruin the Beaujolais Nouveau race!'

Fat chance

A Canadian has become the first Caucasian to make an impact in Japan's earth-shaking sport of Sumo wrestling. The former freestyle wrestler John Tenta has been signed up by the biggest of Japan's 40 Sumo schools and won his first bout last week. Tenta is aged 22, stands at 6ft 6in and weighs 30 stone. Only one other non-Japanese — a Hawaiian called Konishi, has had any success in the sport. Tenta has been renamed Kototenta, and will have his hair moulded into the traditional top knot — which could be a problem, as he does not have much hair to spare. And he must learn to love the special protein-packed soup of the Sumo wrestler. So far he has not taken to it; he has lost a stone and a half since he arrived in Japan last month.

● The two squash players trying for a world endurance record have made it, even though Amir Sheikh started hallucinating along the way. He and Phillip Marlowe managed to play non-stop for a triumphant 121 hours and 16 minutes.

Flip comment

The game of tiddlywinks is lashing itself into a competitive frenzy over the next few weeks. This weekend the national singles championship will be held at Queen's College, Cambridge, with six Americans, including the reigning world champion, Ayre Gittleman, in contention. Next Wednesday the US team plays Cambridge University, with the Cambridge club boasting proudly that it is the only sporting institution at the university never to have lost to Oxford. Next Saturday England play the Americans at Wadham College, Oxford, while the world singles and pairs championships begin on Monday.

Channel: think before we link

by Christopher Cockerell

A fixed link across the Channel will be designed to have a life of 100 or more years. That is a long time. One hundred years ago there were sailing-ships, canals, steam railways, paddle steamers — and horses.

Most people may think there cannot now be much more to come, that it has all been done. In fact, we are only on the fringe of new things.

This ever-quickenning tide of technical progress means that before we settle on the design of a fixed Channel link costing £2 billion or more we should think carefully about likely future developments. We must not put our heads in the sand, like the canal people who could not see that the railways were going to take their business, or like the railwaymen who didn't see that the roads were taking over, or like the liner companies who failed to get into aviation when it first began eating into their traffic.

In judging the value of new developments, account must be taken of the self-evident fact that almost everything which has ever been devised has been improved upon. There has been no great advance in land speeds this century. Now we are

approaching a quantum leap that will give us vehicles travelling at 250 mph or more.

Without gazing into a crystal ball, there are two developments relevant to the Channel link which are logical and discernible now. The first is a fast tracked transport system, using electrical propulsion and riding on an "air cushion" or a magnetic levitation system. Enough work has been done for us to feel confident that such a fast transport system could be developed to give a centre-of-Paris all-weather journey time of one hour — provided the chosen link is a bridge designed to carry the system when it is ready to be put into operation.

A fast tracked transport network of this sort is likely on the Continent within 100 years, and we must be a part of it. Vehicles travelling at the speeds envisaged cannot be squirted through tunnels, or round corners. Aircraft, if they were to match such times, would have to operate from city centres.

The second likely development is an improved hovercraft. From a safety point of view, in both war and peace, there must be not only a fixed link but also an economically viable ferry system over the

longer routes to the Continent. The present hovercraft (designed 20 years ago) transport about 30 per cent of passengers across the Narrows (27 million people to date); enough experience has been amassed for the design of a second generation craft which would be able to take custom from the traditional ferries, even on the longer routes.

To get them going would require a capital outlay of only about one-hundredth that of the fixed link. A further challenge could be presented by large sidewall hovercraft freighters and roll-on, roll-off truck carriers.

If I were investing in the fixed link, I should be worried by the inevitable evolution of fast ferries. They have a long way to go before they reach the technical plateau which the displacement ferries have already reached, but it would be sensible to take them into account. Before a final decision is taken on a fixed link — preferably a look-ahead adaptable bridge — further designs should be called for. None of the designs so far submitted takes tomorrow sufficiently into account.

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Liverpool: Peter Davenport on the Tories' intervention dilemma

Can Baker hold his ground?

At the Tudor House nursery school for physically handicapped children in Liverpool, Merseyside district yesterday, staff were making the final preparations for James Cavanagh's fifth birthday party on Monday. The matron, Mrs Doreen Naylor, was inclined to turn it into an early Christmas party too as she feared the school might become one of the financial victims of the city's financial crisis and be forced to close its doors.

The school is run under the auspices of the Spina Bifida Association but depends largely on a £4,500-a-month grant from the city council. Mrs Naylor has been told that the money for this month will not be forthcoming, and she has no idea when funding will resume.

For the parents of James and 24 other youngsters, aged from seven months to five years, the prospect of closure is acutely distressing. The uncertainty alone has already created stress and anxiety.

There is no other day nursery in Liverpool that caters for such children; if the doors do close and they are sent home it is highly unlikely that even the most loving of parents would have the time or the skill to care for them in the way that Mrs Naylor and her 12 dedicated staff do. Without the daily physiotherapy from skilled hands that they receive at the school many would undoubtedly end up in hospital.

Mrs Naylor said: "We have a hydrotherapy pool here but the water has had to be drained off because we can't afford to run it. Normally we pay for it by fund-raising, but that money is now going into simply keeping the school operating. We will just about see November out but without the council grant I don't see us getting through December. The uncertainty is causing real anxiety."

The uncertain future facing young James and his school-friends is only one example of the social problems confronting Liverpool as the Militant-dominated council continues to reject all solutions to the financial crisis. In total, the problems pose a real dilemma for the Government about when and if it should act.

Malcolm Payne, chief executive of the Liverpool Council for Social Services, an umbrella body for the city's voluntary caring agencies, is afraid that the crisis will lead to deaths and casualties among the old and those dependant on the daily attentions of the council's social services.

Already, he said yesterday, three youth organizations in the city had closed and of the remaining 78 only 12 continue to function normally. One youth club has sold its hard-won minutes to continue paying its rent. In a city of high teenage unemployment, organizations which provide daytime facilities for the young are highly valued.

Between them the voluntary agencies have 2,500 paid staff with a further 1,500 provided by the city. You know that awful feeling when you get a message that a friend has been rushed into hospital with some suspected gashiness or other? You think oh my God I'd better get round there immediately and shall I get some flowers and no, I'd better not go yet because he/she will feel too ill and won't want me to see him/her like that — and then you buy some flowers anyway and charge round feeling scared and confused and somehow an intruder.

It happened to me the other week, but the real fear was that it was not ordinary hospital; not only was it not one of the echoing green-tiled nightmares around Paddington frequented only by aristocrats and royalty, it was not even one of those airport terminals awash with blue arrows and orange seats.

No, this was the famous and colossal expensive Wellington Hospital in St John's Wood — a strange, staircase-shaped building, as if the Incas had given the go-ahead to a gang of over-zealous glaziers. But it is when you get in that the full awe of the place hits you between the eyes: it makes the Connaught look like a squat, renders the Dorchester akin to Julie's Pantry and, more to the point, it made me feel like a *jeune fille* fresh off the kerb.

It was raining. My clothes were clammy, my hair just sort of hung there, the flowers — five yellow chrysanthemums and a white one because they didn't have six the same — were bowing in shame, and the wrapping paper was frankly mached. I was also staggering rather



Matron Doreen Naylor and James Cavanagh: when handicapped children and the old start to suffer, can the Government still maintain a masterly inactivity?

Manpower Services Commission scheme. Many are paid by city council funds and even the major, national agencies may only have an operating lifespan of six to eight weeks once the crisis bites. The services they offer are extensive and much valued in a city with large-scale social ills. Age Concern, for example, makes 2,500 visits a day to old people and the Liverpool branch of Mind has 170 clients regularly using its day centres. Those operations will be at risk.

Despite the intentions of councillors and the provision of emergency services for the sick, the old and the deprived, there is real concern among the caring agencies that it may not be enough. Even at the best of times victims slip through the safety net; a child is battered by its parents or a pensioner living alone falls victim to hypothermia in the cold months of winter. How much greater then are the risks with a much reduced service?

The very uncertainty about the future is causing stress among council staff and workers. Decisions seem to change almost by the hour. Take for example, the situation this week for the city's 80,000 schoolchildren in its 250 schools.

All week education department officials said that without a positive financial settlement to the crisis they would close school doors on Friday night, as there would be no heating oil and fuel supplies to continue.

Yesterday the department announced an about-turn and said it would keep schools open at least for next week. The union representing 4,500 cleaners, caretakers and cooks, whose members would regard themselves as laid off from Monday without money to pay their wages, then said they would work on.

One town hall official said: "The uncertainty makes it difficult to plan because you have no idea what is going to happen, when, or even if. All I know is that personally I have been told I have had my last wages. I have written to the bank to tell them and to cancel the standing payments on my mortgage and bank loan. I cannot borrow on my Barclaycard because I'm up to the limit. I've sold my car and I've put a polish on my golf clubs in case they have to go too. On top of all that the children are looking in the shop windows for their Christmas presents and somehow I have to tell them I can't afford to get them anything."

There are other uncertainties which make day-to-day life in Liverpool increasingly difficult. Over a hundred children with special education needs at the council-owned Colomendy School, near Loggerheads in North Wales, arrived back in the city by bus yesterday, the normal weekend in four that they spend at home having been brought forward. Earlier their parents had been told that the school would have to close because of the crisis, only for the plans to be

changed at the last moment, but for how long nobody knew.

There is now a widespread feeling among Liverpool residents that they are merely the helpless victims in a test of nerves between Militant and the government — with each side proclaiming that the other is solely responsible for whatever happens, but with neither really caring.

It is the prospect of real human victims of the crisis that poses a real dilemma for the government. Kenneth Baker, the Environment Secretary, may be intent on telling the people of Liverpool that it is their councillors who are to blame and who must cope with the effect of their stubborn, head-in-the-sand actions. But he will be unable to stand idly by if the results of those actions begin to pose real dangers to the life, health and safety of people who, after all, are entitled to look to the national government to safeguard their wellbeing.

Pressure for action could become irresistible once television starts showing pictures of shivering, infirm, old people being ferried from their homes to the special centre just reopened by the churches in Southport.

But just when the government should intervene in a crisis that is being milked by Militant to the last propagandist drop is a difficult question. Too soon would let Militant off the hook; too late would put the government on the spot.

whom I had paddled across London to see was on the whole comfortable, but not receiving visitors just at the present. I thought I would leave my sad little bunch of flowers and go, but it was then that I discovered that I had been sitting on the blasted things and they had done an awful disservice to the sofa and not a lot of good to my trousers. The vision of loveliness just looked at me, as such women do, and I suppose it was this whiff of embarrassment that caused me to laugh in a devil-may-care, throwaway, and frankly mad sort of way and to canter towards the exit with rather more haste than was prudent, for I skidded like a crazy unicyclist over the marble floor, thinking at one point during my gyrations, it's OK, it's OK, I can regain my balance, just before I went over like a crippled carthorse.

I whinnied in panic as people in white coats came to my assistance because I realized that it probably cost thousands just to help you up in that place, and so I clambered to my feet — one of which barely co-operated — and lurched towards the double doors which fooled me again and caused me serious trouble on the steps outside.

The rain was vengeful now, so I hunched into my hopeless jacket and limped off down the road, whipped by wind and water, and honking into a handkerchief. It was I decided, a time for philosophy, and I warmed myself with the following: I may be poor, but at least I've got other half gives.

Miss World sashayed back at this moment to tell me that the person

Joseph Connolly

John O'Sullivan

Booby prize for the pundits

New York. Each morning during the summit, one of the American television networks had two "experts" grading the respective performances of Ronald Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev. Since a news blackout had been imposed more or less effectively, there was nothing very substantial on which the experts could base their grades, but they graded away nonetheless.

Reagan almost invariably did poorly. He was beaten by Gorbachev on style, on easy repartee, on appearance of vigour, on self-confidence, and so on.

What was most striking about these idiotic judgments was the vast complacency with which they were delivered. It was almost as if the analysts believed that a glimpse at the history books of the future would show them in a significant role at a historic turning point — the world's press receiving the great Russian potentate on the occasion of his triumph, which he had earned by a brilliant series of public relations coups. It was like seeing the Congress of Berlin through the eyes of Disraeli's train driver.

This concentration on superficialities cannot be entirely explained by the absence of more serious information imposed by the news blackout. The journalists involved clearly imagined they were describing events which would have real impact on the summit. This was based in part upon a simple misreading of the nature of the occasion. To perform well before the press and television is mainly of importance to a politician during an election campaign. In Gorbachev, therefore, it is largely a redundant skill; he and his colleagues have taken pains to develop it because they believe it to be a useful weapon in influencing American public opinion.

Reagan, on the other hand, is portrayed as a cowboy simpleton who cannot grasp complicated issues and who clings desperately to a few right-wing illusions such as Star Wars and tax cuts. He is allowed a certain knack for public relations charm, which he carries over from his Hollywood days, but even that has deserted him in Gorbachev, if the experts were correct. That being so, he must be seriously weakened in the negotiations by his relatively poor performance outside them.

That picture is, of course, a caricature of the amiable but quite calculating politician that Reagan's career shows him to be. The basis of it is that he is rightly aware that a president is remembered for — and

able to achieve — only one or two major innovations during his time in office. So Reagan very carefully selects an issue which he believes to be vital, formulates an often dramatic policy to deal with it, and then defends his position on it unflinchingly while being prepared to compromise on everything else.

Star Wars is the defence innovation which he has pioneered politically. He declared, repeatedly, that it was not a bargaining chip to be swapped in Geneva for arms reductions. But since the sophisticated view was that it *had* to be bargained away or else the Soviet would leave in high dudgeon, no one believed him.

When the news blackout was finally lifted, however, it turned out that Reagan had achieved agreement on two future summits, regular meetings between senior officials in the meantime, arms control talks in which an agreement on intermediate weapons will no longer be held hostage to an agreement on space weapons, a pledge to resolve human rights cases in a spirit of cooperation, and a number of bilateral deals on cultural exchanges, economic cooperation and consular posts without making any concession whatever on strategic missile defence programmes.

That is not necessarily a defeat for Gorbachev, who obtains a number of his more modest aims — notably the prospect of greater trade and economic cooperation. In addition, some of the vaguer pledges such as that on human rights will need well some watching. But the balance of gain is surely on the side of Reagan, who has spent four years rebuilding US defence and restoring national pride, and who has now persuaded the Soviet Union to enter semi-permanent negotiations without the sweeter it was demanding.

It took the media some time to adjust to the transformation of Reagan from poor boob to quiet diplomatist who had taken most of the tricks. But the smarter characters retreated quickly to the fallback position: Reagan had renounced his anti-communist past and pronounced the "evil empire" to be merely a naïve, even that does not hold water.

Perhaps Reagan remembers that the last period of summit diplomacy led to the psychological disarmament of the West, which persuaded the Soviets to intervene everywhere from Angola to Afghanistan, which heightened superpower tensions, which provoked a nervous patriotism in the US which led to his election.

Woodrow Wyatt

How the press could prosper

Fleet Street's internal battles, which have always prevented newspapers publishers adopting a common stand on anything important for more than a few hours, used to be mainly about circulation. In recent years they have become complicated by terrifying production costs coupled with the threat from Eddie Shah and others to produce national newspapers at half or less their present cost.

Fleet Street could still be very profitable. The *Sun* and *The Sunday Times* are, even though the *Sun*, for instance, pays £40,000 plus a year each to some 100 writers, such as piecework typewriter operators. Other newspapers, including the *Financial Times*, are on the same level or not far behind.

Although there is much secrecy, the average rate for print production workers in Fleet Street is probably between £20,000 and £25,000 a year for a 25 to 30-hour week.

Ever happy to lecture industrialists on their failure to modernize and cut costs, Fleet Street is still in the successful state of its own business. What it calls modern technology has been the norm in the provinces for nearly 20 years. Even when Fleet Street has got hold of some bits of modern technology, as the Mirror Group did some eight years ago, it has been unable to use it in a way that substantially cuts costs.

At the *Telegraph*, even the proposed insubstantial reform of giving journalists access to new technology while printers would do their work all over again will involve crippling compensatory and redundancy payments to the printers. Hence the raising of £110 million outside funds and a dilution of the Hartwell ownership.

The *Telegraph* production difficulties are compounded by current losses from slipping circulations and failure to attract sufficient advertising. That is not the fault of the print unions but of senior management, mostly well beyond retiring age. Conrad Black, the Canadian who now has 14 per cent of the shares, with a right to buy any Hartwell shares for sale, is on a good thing. Basically the *Daily Telegraph* and *Sunday Telegraph* are excellent, solid newspapers. Properly managed, a fortune awaits them.

At the Mirror Group, Robert Maxwell is calling for the present 6,000 staff to be cut by 2,000. He will be lucky if he gets 1,000. That will not help him to reasonable profitability in the long run, despite his imaginative approach to the group's £250 million pension fund, unless he stops interfering with his newspapers' contents.

Morale is low. In the 12 months from October 1984 the *Mirror's* circulation fell by 580,000 to 3.13 million. The *Sunday Mirror* and the *People* have dropped almost as badly, both in October falling for the first time to below 3 million. It must be galling for Maxwell's editorial staff to have watched the *Sun* (4.18 million) and *New* (3.8 million) steadily climbing during the same period.

David Stevens' United News-

papers has the lowest profit return of any provincial newspaper. He has boldly paid £315 million for Fleet Holdings, publishers of *Press Newspapers*, which in February 1982 was worth £12.6 million. The price has been inflated by the Reuters crowd of gold.

But circulations of the *Daily Express* and *Sunday Express* fall remorselessly. The changes needed to arrest the decline would lose many older readers before new and younger ones were gathered. For Stevens cost-cutting is also paramount; he may have an irreversible slide on his hands.

One answer for some publishers is to set up new printing works in London's Dockland, in Glasgow and elsewhere. The hope is for a better deal with a different style of print workers (maybe not even in the old print unions), or if that fails, to persuade the Fleet Street print unions to recognize that the days of vast wages for outmoded skills for too little output are over.

The unions are waking up. Reporting on a visit to the US, Brenda Dean, general secretary of Soga 82, wrote: "Opposing technological change is not an option for trade unions in printing — it is simply a rapid route to de-unionizing." Tony Dubbins, leader of the NGA, said on Channel 4 on Wednesday he was "reluctantly" coming to a similar conclusion.

The print unions are suddenly realizing that their new and urgent fight is not to keep and win by blackmail ludicrously incongruous high wages but to salvage as much as 50 per cent of their jobs. If, for example, they want to be in on new ventures like News International's *London Post* starting in March, or Eddie Shah's *Today*, they now appreciate that they need large salaries to cut their cloth.

A great transition is occurring. During it print unions can, and possibly will, make a last kamikaze fight with all-out strikes which would finally destroy themselves and inflict grievous damage on Fleet Street newspapers, some of which might not survive.

If they are wise they will accept the full introduction of new technology with all its implications in job cutting and wage cutting. This would preserve for them some sort of position in national newspapers, albeit a much diminished one, and more jobs would be created on new newspapers enabled by modern technology to start up with much lower capital and running costs.

If newspaper owners are wise they will understand that being a successful businessman is not the same as being a successful editor. A proprietor will do best if he makes the right choice of editor and lets him get on with it, unless or until he fails, while concentrating on building circulation and cutting production costs.

Fleet Street is by no means dead but it must itself endure the traumas of the Thatcher shake-up, which it often praises, if it is to achieve again true and steady prosperity.

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HARD SELL NEEDED

The Dail has approved the Hillsborough agreement without Dr FitzGerald having to make exaggerated claims for it, and without Mr Haughey pressing home his attack. Once Mr Haughey saw that he had misjudged public opinion in the Republic he refrained from saying he would repudiate the agreement, and he will not go to court with his charge that it is repugnant to the constitution.

The legal challenge will probably come by another hand, but since the relevant passage in the agreement sticks closely to the corresponding passage in the Sunningdale agreement the challenge is unlikely to be effective. On that occasion the supreme court held that any legitimacy conferred on Northern Ireland in apparent contradiction of the Irish constitution was of a *de facto* rather than *de jure* description.

Both parties to the agreement affirm that any change in the status of Northern Ireland (by that they mean legal status) would only come about with the consent of the majority of the people there, and that such consent does not now exist. It recognizes by implication "the legitimacy of the unionist position" in Mrs Thatcher's careful phrase, which is not the same as to recognize the legitimacy of Northern Ireland as constituted. That the Irish can hardly do if they are to cling to their "national aspiration" to the island's unification. It is not respectable to covert your neighbour's land except on the basis that it is really yours.

Meanwhile unionist MPs, who are challenging the legality of the agreement at the British end, stumbled at the first fence, but have picked themselves up for a renewal of their application for judicial review in open court next week. One of their planks is the Act of Union of 1800, which united the parliaments of Great Britain and Ireland, and remains the basis for Westminster's jurisdiction in what remains of Ireland. "In all treaties made by his majesty... with any foreign power, his majesty's subjects of Ireland shall have the same privileges, and be on the same footing as his majesty's subjects of Great Britain."

The Irish foreign minister is not to sit in on policy making in respect of England, Scotland and Wales, and so her majesty's Irish subjects are not placed on the same footing as the rest. So the argument runs. However, if the judges are permitted to look behind the words of the legislature in 1800 in search of its intentions, they will find that the

point of this provision was to end for good the series of Restrictive Trade Acts prohibiting the direct trading in foreign markets of Irish produce, manufactures and vessels, which had bedevilled the economy of Ireland for 150 years (Jonathan Swift *passim*). All very remote from the preoccupations of Hillsborough.

It is Westminster's turn to approve the deal next week. As on Monday, unionist MPs may expect to make few friends in their headlong opposition to the agreement. Verbal abuse of the Prime Minister, physical abuse of the Secretary of State, withdrawal of participation in public office and procedures, threats of non-compliance, all this tends to isolate his apologists in the Commons.

That does not unduly worry the unionist mind which conceives of its community as standing alone in defence of its principles in all the great crises of its history. The conception is not altogether historical: Ulster had powerful allies in the Conservative party in Britain in 1911-14 and depended on them. But it is the myth that counts. The words *Sinn Féin*, which mean *Ourselves Alone*, would be a good watchword for Mr Paisley were they not already appropriated.

Irritation is not the only feeling or thought stirred by the spectacle of outrage. The Irish Labour party has just lost the distinguished Senator Mary Robinson, who has pronounced the Hillsborough agreement unwelcome, as being likely to alienate the Ulster majority in seeking to relieve the alienation of the minority, leaving the province in worse case than before. More MPs at Westminster may come to see it that way as the consequences of the Hillsborough ceremony sink in.

That is too pat. It is also premature. It is not a foregone conclusion that the agreement, if it can be truly evaluated, will appear to the generality of Ulster Protestants so preponderantly bad as to cause them to visit severe, continuing, even terminal, stress upon their province in an attempt to force the Prime Minister to back away. Or cause them in the name of loyalty and the union to seek to defeat Parliament and Government by direct action. If that is to be avoided the agreement must be sold honestly and hard, in Ulster where it matters. The operation, which needs to be planned at all levels, calls also for the participation of the Prime Minister in person.

BAD FRENCH LESSON

Whatever the final outcome of the Peacock Committee's deliberations it must be hoped that the future of British broadcasting can be decided in a different manner, and above all, a different atmosphere, from that in which key decisions about the future of French television have been announced this week.

It is fair to say that the approach to the financing and control of broadcasting in the two countries has been very different from the start. In Britain, the BBC, financed until now entirely by a state-enforced but separately collected licence fee, has enjoyed an almost uncontested reputation as genuinely independent from government. In France, state monopoly broadcasting was assumed - on the whole correctly - to be under government control. Advertising as a source of finance for television began on the state network in the late 1960s, but it was not accompanied by any perceptible relaxation of government control. Such relaxation came later, under President Giscard d'Estaing, but took the form of dividing the state network into three supposedly competing channels, all of them still state-owned.

It has been left to a Socialist government to permit the creation of privately owned television networks in France, starting cautiously with a subscribers-only channel, launched last year and now proceeding to the creation of a Fifth Channel, which will be the first to have to pay for itself entirely from advertising revenue. It will use the existing state-owned transmission system, and will be carried simultaneously by a satellite to be launched next year. The same satellite will carry an English-language service, to be provided by Mr. Robert Maxwell, and a state-owned "cultural" channel.

The franchise for the Fifth Channel is therefore a prize of great value, and there was bitter competition for it between two groups; one, led by the Compagnie Luxembourgeoise de Télédiffusion (CLT), the other by two leading French businessmen who were close friends of President Mitterrand - M. Jérôme Seydoux and the late M. Jean Riboud.

Had M. Mitterrand's priority been genuine liberalization and depoliticization of the issue of broadcasting control and finance, he would surely have chosen to distance himself and the government from this invidious choice by setting up a body analogous to Britain's Independent Broadcasting Authority. Instead, he took the decision himself, awarding the franchise to his own friends, after negotiations conducted in secret and in a considerable hurry, setting a deadline for the new channel to begin broadcasting on February 15, only weeks before the general election which his party looks almost certain to lose.

His choice has been generally deplored in France, because of the involvement in M. Seydoux's group of Signor Silvio Berlusconi, whose brashly commercial networks in Italy have been held responsible for the collapse of the Italian film industry, and near-bankruptcy of the Italian public broadcasting organization. That criticism is not necessarily right. As M. Mitterrand pointed out in his press conference on Thursday, the rival group, which included Mr. Rupert Murdoch, was not obviously either less foreign or less "commercial". But, by taking the decision himself, and in the way he did, M. Mitterrand has unhappily ensured that television will remain a political football in France long after the coming election.

Single offence of unlawful homicide

From Chancellor E. Garth Moore
Sir, Not so long ago a conviction for murder resulted in the mandatory sentence of death. Today it results in the mandatory sentence of imprisonment for life, moderated, if the judge so chooses, by a recommendation as to the length of time which should be served.

A conviction for manslaughter gives the judge a discretion to impose any sentence, ranging from imprisonment for life down to immediate discharge.

Is there any point in maintaining the distinction between murder and manslaughter? Would it not be sensible to abolish both offences and to have instead a single offence of unlawful homicide for which, at the judge's discretion, any penalty from life to immediate discharge could be imposed?

Partly as the result of legislation and partly due to judicial attempts at refinement of the distinction between murder and manslaughter, judges themselves sometimes find some difficulty in understanding the distinction and even greater difficulty in explaining the distinction to a jury. Much valuable time is spent in trying prisoners for murder, when the accused would be willing to plead guilty to manslaughter, and further time is spent in the Court of Appeal and the House of Lords in arguing the niceties of the distinction between these two forms of homicide and the correctness of the judge's direction to the jury on the point.

All this could be saved by the simple expedient of substituting for the two offences the single offence of unlawful homicide and conferring upon the judge the same discretion which he already possesses after a conviction for manslaughter and which he comes near to possessing after a conviction for murder.

Your obedient servant,
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November 16.

Anglo-Irish pact

From Mr David Morrison
Sir, Your editorial, "No referendum" (November 19), does not deal with the main reason why there should be a referendum in Northern Ireland on the Anglo-Irish agreement. It is not just that Westminster proposes to treat Northern Ireland differently from the rest of the UK by allowing the Government of the Irish Republic a say in how it is governed - your editorial mentions this point but then ignores it. It is that Northern Ireland is excluded from the party political system of the UK and that those parties who will vote to impose this agreement on Northern Ireland will not be presenting themselves to the Northern Ireland electorate to account for their actions.

Northern Ireland people are denied access to national parties; they cannot influence them as members of vote for or against them. The being so, the endorsement of the Anglo-Irish agreement by those parties over the heads of the people of Northern Ireland cannot be regarded as a democratic exercise but as a form of dictatorship against a regional minority.

The proper operation of our parliamentary democracy demands that the major parties in the State seek members and stand for election throughout the State so that regional peculiarities are reflected within and through those parties.

If the Anglo-Irish agreement had been arrived at by a governing party which regularly submits itself to the Northern Ireland electorate and endorsed by opposition parties elected do likewise then the case for a referendum in Northern Ireland on it would be much weaker though, given the precedents of the referendum on Scottish and Welsh devolution, a case would still exist.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID MORRISON,
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Belfast.
November 19.

Christians and Jews

From Sister Margaret Shepherd
Sir, The recent growth in missionary activity among the Jews, as discussed at the special meeting called by the Council of Christians and Jews and reported in *The Times* by Clifford Longley on November 8, seriously undermines the good will and friendship engendered by the dialogue between Jews and Christians.

The Sisters of Zion, a congregation in the Roman Catholic Church, with a particular responsibility to understand and foster the Church's relationship with the Jewish people, works to promote a true friendship between our two faith communities.

In this work, and thus in the work of this study centre, there is no place whatsoever for conversionist activity, which is to be rejected utterly and unequivocally. As the late Sister Charlotte Klein, formerly director of this study centre, expressed in her article in the *Journal of Ecumenical Studies*:

Dialogue and conversion are mutually exclusive. According to Martin Buber each participant in a sincere dialogue should confirm the other in his or her specific existence. Each becomes aware of the elements which unite them, accepting honestly those components of their faith which divide them and which each respects. No person in dialogue should try to persuade the others of the exclusivity of their own position.

Yours faithfully,
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November 12.

Keeping a firm hand on PhDs

From the Chairman of the Economic and Social Research Council

Sir, Professor Spedding (November 16) has not appreciated the seriousness of the situation which has led ESRC (Economic and Social Research Council) to act over grants to PhD students. Twenty per cent of ESRC's budget of £23m is spent on support for research students. Our records show that about half the PhD students we fund never obtain a degree.

Council regards this as intolerable. If 50 per cent of first-degree students in any field failed there would be an outcry. Why should PhDs be different?

Our records also show that the performance in some universities is much worse than in others. That is why council has chosen to be selective in its action.

A group, under the chairmanship of Dr Graham Winfield, is looking at the question in depth to discover where changes in ESRC regulations are needed. Constructive suggestions to this group will be welcomed. Nevertheless, the solution to the problem lies with institutions themselves, and the strength of the response we have received suggests that our choice of target was correct.

ESRC will have a continuing dialogue on this issue with universities and polytechnics, but institutions must recognise that it will retain a prominent place on the council's agenda for the foreseeable future.

Yours faithfully,
DOUGLAS HAGUE, Chairman,
Economic and Social Research Council,
1 Temple Avenue, EC4.
November 21.

From Professor J.P. Kenyon

Sir, I am surprised that Professor Conrad Russell (November 9) regards 65 per cent (that is, 13 out of 20, or perhaps 26 out of 40) as a "very high" proportion of PhD candidates, especially since he seems to envisage no time limit short of death. I am even more surprised that not one of his "successful" candidates has been able to com-

Nuremberg recalled

From Mr and Mrs John Tusa
Sir, Frank Johnson is wrong in three respects and right in one in his consideration of the Nuremberg tribunal (Spectrum, November 20).

It is untrue to say that belief has grown since 1945 that the tribunal had no support in law. On December 11, 1946, the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted a resolution affirming the principles of international law recognized by the Charter of the tribunal and by its judgement.

Five years later the UN's International Law Commission adopted a statement which formulated those principles as part of international law. Further, the fact that people from Vietnam to Nicaragua to Argentina turn to "Nuremberg principles" to bring them a justice not afforded elsewhere - however vaguely those principles are expressed - is a vivid expression of the popular backing the tribunal continues to have.

Second, it is inaccurate to say - as A. J. P. Taylor is quoted as saying - that because one document was proved to be faulty, the whole trial could be written off. The chief characteristic of the prosecution was that it was massively built on a weight of Nazi documentation which the defendants made no

Art under Third Reich

From the Exhibitions Secretary, Royal Academy of Arts

Sir, I write with reference to Peter Fuller's remarks quoted in your Diary (November 14) that the organisers of the exhibition "Crisis in the Twentieth Century" have deliberately censored Nazi art from the exhibition.

The National Socialists engaged in a carefully organised campaign to discredit modern art, banishing the works of artists such as Kirchner, Kandinsky, Nolde, Beckmann, indeed all the artists represented in the first half of the exhibition. They were either forbidden to paint or were forced to go and live abroad, as indeed were, for example, the writers Bertold Brecht and Thomas Mann who produced many of their finest works in exile.

Max Beckmann, the greatest German painter of the first half of this century, also did his finest and most powerful paintings hiding in a garret in Amsterdam from 1937 to 1945, and many of these works are shown in the exhibition - for

Education and industry

From Mr Leo Haynes

Sir, Dr John Rae (November 18) points to the principal aim of Industry Year 1986 which, he says, is to counter the anti-industrial bias in our education system. He goes on to suggest that the strategic errors of industry should not be blamed on the schools.

Dr Rae may be right in his argument but it is not good enough to shrug off the nation's central problem as he does. The relative decline of industry is due to a national failure to note and cultivate the "life skills", i.e. communicating, dealing with people, planning, and problem-solving. The development of these skills should be the joint concern of industry and the schools.

I believe that it is up to industry to make the first move and that a start would be made if industry took a more constructive interest in the Youth Training Scheme. The interest and involvement of the schools would follow.

Yours faithfully,
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Some hazards of Channel link

From Mr J. Richard Graham

Sir, As a long-term, informed opponent of "cross-Channel fixed links", having been both an economic and political adviser in Whitehall, may I have the use of your column to make a few remarks about the present chapter in that saga?

Britain has long indulged in the "visionary" approach to transport investment, for example Concorde and the Humber bridge, while eschewing the sensible until it is glaringly necessary, eg the M25. Let us hope that if there is to be a link it is a sensible one.

The "suspended tube" is really too fanciful for serious discussion. However, the "bridges, islands and tunnels" proposal is the equivalent of 16 Humber bridges, two Jubilee lines and two man-made islands bigger than any North Sea structure. All this is to be built in five or six years.

Not only did the above mentioned construction all overrun on time, they also did so on budget - by a long way. Even if the present estimate is to be believed, the actual cost per car would have to be the equivalent of three times the present ferry crossing. And for this extra money the motorist would undertake an extremely hazardous journey across one of the worst and wildest crossings in the world.

When he was last measured by the straight lines of the bridges, he would be spinning down a spiral road and through the longest motor tunnel in the world whose lights would turn the starkest brain. And for thirty days a year the entire contraption would be out of use because of excessive wind.

Much as I distrust the economic arithmetic of the proponents of these links, if we must have one let it be using existing technology. We do at least know how to build a tunnel. We also know how to operate a railway. The motorist would then be carried in certainty and comfort. Above all the cost per vehicle would be sufficiently in excess of the ferries to insure their viability, but reasonable enough to encourage the traffic.

No matter who finds the finance, this country cannot afford a mega-million fantasy. A tunnel is the only realistic solution to the problem of a fixed link.

Yours faithfully,
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Appointment of bishops

From the Bishop Suffragan of Aston

Sir, I read with interest the letter (November 19) of Mr Michael Latham, MP, on this subject and I believe that he accurately describes the present conventions (and lack of them). But it does seem to me that he seriously calls in question whether the arrangement is the right one when he implies that the Prime Minister would be using her (or his) discretion as to which of the two to choose, on the grounds that this person or that would be a better one to send in five to seven years' time to the House of Lords.

What sort of criteria can Mr Latham have in mind for the exercise of this discretion? Would it be political, or personal? Would it relate to the public service the candidate may or may not have given, or what? Or is he merely concerned that prime ministers should have the opportunity to spin a coin?

I write without knowing what will happen in the General Synod debate on this issue, but I am sure that such advocacy of the present system as Mr Latham employs will go far to shortening its days, a consummation much to be welcomed.

Yours faithfully,
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November 19.

Wrongly reported

From Mr Frank Johnson

Sir, Mr Heath, speaking in the Commons debate of November 20 on the televising of Parliament, said that the "sole purpose" of the "last but one parliamentary correspondent of *The Times*" was "to do in politicians." Mr Heath added:

He declared this openly; he told me so. He said that politicians were pompous people who should be destroyed. I told him that in the process he would run the risk of also destroying Parliament. That was too bad.

I think Mr Heath might have been referring to me. If so, I do not know with whom he could have confused me, because I never said any such thing either to him or to anyone else.

My belief was that Parliament was a sufficiently good form of government to survive anything I wrote about any of its members. This it appears to have done, since it is nearly two years since I last wrote about it.

Mr Heath's account of any conversation he had with me is wrong because it shows one of us speaking. I hope, out of character. His report is an example of the misrepresentation and inaccuracy which we journalists sometimes have to endure at the hands of some politicians.

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ON THIS DAY

NOVEMBER 23 1963

John Fitzgerald Kennedy, inaugurated as the 35th President of the USA on January 20, 1961, was assassinated in Dallas, Texas on November 22. On the 24th Lee Harvey Oswald, accused of the crime, was shot dead by Jack Ruby outside the city's police headquarters. Ruby was in custody awaiting retrial when he died in hospital in January, 1967. The following is an extract from the leading article.

IN THE TRUE LINE

Momentous as the death of President Kennedy is - and it is the head of state, chief executive, and commander in chief of the most powerful nation in the world who has been assassinated - the personal tragedy is the one that strikes hardest. Here was a man only forty-six years old, boyish in looks, young in heart, eager and vigorous in spirit. The cares of office did not obliterate the family man, the devoted husband, the loving father of two small children. A coward's bullet has done that. Mrs. Kennedy's cry of anguish as her husband was struck down beside her will be echoed in homes throughout the world. The official and formal messages of sympathy that flood in to the desolate widow in the White House will have echoes of private conversations, even though they are never forwarded.

But before as well as after his death President Kennedy also belonged to history. Evil and misadventure as his murder was, it was in essence a political act. It will have political effects. The shots that struck in Dallas will ricochet throughout the United States, in the Atlantic Alliance, on the other side of the iron curtain, and in the uncommitted parts of the world. The domestic consequences will be the most immediate.

At this moment it is impossible to conjecture what the effect on American politics will be. President Kennedy was facing a stiff run next year for a second term. The general belief was that he would scrape through whoever his rival was. A tradition is growing up that a President has to be a real failure before he is denied a second term. Even so he was in severe political difficulties.

The President, so far as could be judged, was neither downcast nor perplexed. The courage he had shown as each new trial of strength was presented to him by the communists had earned its reward. (Whenever the final assessment is made of Mr. Kennedy's all-too-brief Presidency, that courage should not be forgotten. Men of lesser will and fainter heart quailed and trembled. There was the usual stampede in some quarters to bemoan his "recklessness". The Alliance would be incomparably weaker today if he had not stood firm. His judgment was sound.) He was in no way at the end of his resources. He still saw a way ahead. It was merely the immediate future that was uncertain. Had he lived to win a second term, the combination of world events with his own will might have made those four years decisive for peace.

ROOSEVELT - TRUMAN - EISENHOWER - KENNEDY. On this sad morning, it cannot be sufficiently stressed how much all these American Presidents have at heart been men of peace. Three of them had to wage war. They did it in order that a long reign of peace might come. They were disappointed. Their labours did not bring home the full harvest. The world's debt to them is no less because of that. John Kennedy worked in the same spirit. Politically he was the first leader from the post-war generation. He worked towards a détente. Not enough time was given him to do more than begin his task. He made progress. He had setbacks. At times his touch was sure. At others he fumbled. Every President goes through such vicissitudes, even Roosevelt fumbled. He proved himself to be a man of will and purpose. What he did in thirty-four months was enough to show he was in the true line.

Museum charges

From Mr Graham F. Thomas

Sir, May I endorse Professor Catterall's (November 13) views on the above subject. Free entry to the British Museum certainly changed my life and that of my family. In the early 1930s Nestlé produced a penny bar of chocolate, enclosing prints of the treasures of Tutankhamun. I was then 10 years old, living in Brixton with unemployed parents. Of the few pennies pocketed money provided by my grandfather, all was spent on train fares to the museum for a number of years every Saturday.

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First sip of a fine Nouveau

Hailed by some as the best for 40 years, this week's Beaujolais Nouveau is certainly the finest for a decade. Jane MacQuitty, wine correspondent, explains the background to the Beaujolais boom - and puts the wine to the test

More than 4,000 trucks have thundered up the autoroute from Villefranche-sur-Saône and Mâcon, a fleet of ferries has sailed across the Channel and 30 747s have flown to destinations all round the world. Official sources calculate that most of the 50 million litres of their precious purple cargo will have been despatched in the past five days. It is the biggest Beaujolais Nouveau bonanza yet.

Last year there was a crop of disaster stories about 1984's fresh, fruity and not very exciting vintage gathering dust on British shop shelves, only to be withdrawn, rebottled and sold as ordinary French red wine de table at half the price. But already they have been forgotten, swept aside by this year's version of the annual wine whirlwind. Le Beaujolais Nouveau definitely *est arrivé*.

This year's wine has had a good press - unlike last year when erroneous reports had written off the vintage long before the wines were vinified. The grapevine is already buzzing with talk of the outstanding 1985 vintage and who has sold what, when. Claude Giret of Berkmann Wine Cellars upped his Georges Dubouef Nouveau order by an extra trailer earlier this week, making a grand total of 18,500 cases - 4,500 more than last year. Don Hewitson from the Cork & Bottle wine bar chain is certain that he will have poured 300 cases of 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau down his customer's throats by the end of the week, and 1,000 by December 31.

Their confidence is fully justified. Back in September I went to the Beaujolais region for the harvest and got a foretaste of what was to come. Even then it was clear that it was going to be good.

C'est le millésime du soleil, said Georges Dubouef with a grin. "Superbe, absolument superbe". The year of the sun: it was 10.30am at maison Dubouef and already I could feel the heat burning through the stained glass doors of the tasting room. Another 30°C scorcher was about to begin.

While Georges Dubouef was busy hanging the Beaujolais drum in France, on this side of the Channel the first trickle of Beaujolais Nouveau was finding its way on to the odd restaurant table. Five years later the British were still knocking back a mere 60,000 litres of Nouveau. But in 1974 *The Sunday Times* offered a bottle of champagne to the first reader who could present its diarist with a bottle and the race was on. The following year it really took off. Since then, although police on both sides of the channel take a dutiful delight in clocking anyone who exceeds the speed limit, British ingenuity and sense of fun has resulted in every possible form of transport being commandeered to undergo the mad 500-mile dash back from Mâcon in style.

Hot-air balloons, bicycles, aeroplanes, vintage cars, the Red Devils, and even an elephant have all done their bit to get Beaujolais Nouveau to our breakfast tables on the big day. Each year the publicity stunts get increasingly bizarre. Indeed, Nouveau fever is in



New bouquet: David Cossart, Master of Wine, savours the Beaujolais at The Times tasting, conducted by candlelight during a power cut

A heady day of wine and noses

The best and worst of this year's vintage, assessed by The Times tasting panel

Beaujolais at breakfast time may not be everyone's idea of the perfect start to the day but as usual *The Times* tasting panel assembled at the horribly early hour of 8.30am on Thursday to taste the first vintages of Beaujolais Nouveau, rushed to Shampers Wine Bar at 4 Kingly Street, London W1, straight from the barrels.

The usual hiccups - late arrivals and bottles languishing in East Grinstead warehouses when they should have been in

London - gave everyone time to enjoy a traditional Beaujolais breakfast of *beignets noirs* (black pudding) and garlicky *sauceson chaud* - alongside garlic bread and a Lyonnais potato salad.

Upstairs, about a hundred Beaujolais enthusiasts, accompanied by an accordionist, managed to knock back the best

part of a bottle each of their preferred breakfast beverage. The Shampers team had difficulty convincing them that this was a week day and they all had an office to go to.

Downstairs The Times Beaujolais Nouveau tasting team tried hard to concentrate on the blind tasting of 27 different

Nouveaux. Two Masters of Wine - Nick Clarke (NC) from Henry Collison and David Cossart (DC) from Ellis, Son & Vidler - were there to represent the UK wine trade; Don Hewitson (DH), a keen Beaujolais fan, was there to support the French; Geoff A. Full (GM), an award-winning wine-maker from Australia, joined us; and finally Robin Young (RY) and myself (JMQ) represented The Times.

TOP THREE

Sainsbury's 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau, J. Burdin. Sainsbury's £2.99

"Classic Beaujolais Nouveau" (NC), "marvellous quaffing wine" (DH), "punchy traditional Gamay" (DC) and "wonderful elegant zingy Beaujolais" (JMQ) summed up the panel's feelings on this delicious gaudy Nouveau that was also delightfully cheap. If you buy only one bottle of Nouveau in 1985 this should be it.

Joseph Drouhin 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau. Majestic Wine Warehouses £3.89, Harrods £4.25, Selfridges £2.99

Only a quarter of a point behind Sainsbury's Nouveau but considerably more expensive, everyone enjoyed this "lovely wine - rich and flavoursome" (DH) with JMQ noting its "vibrant strawberry fruit". NC its "rich alcoholic" style and DC its "stylish quality". Richer and more full-bodied than the other 1985 Nouveaux, Drouhin's offering would be good with food.

Francis Paquet 1985 Beaujolais-Villages Primeur. Benthalls of Kingston £2.99

In joint second place with Drouhin, this Paquet Primeur slightly surprised the panel for doing so well. RY liked its "attractive easy, fruity flavour". NC thought it "well balanced - not too big and alcoholic" whilst DH noted "fresh and scented". This light easy to drink Primeur should please everyone.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Marc Dudet 1985 Beaujolais-Villages Nouveau. Corney & Barrow, 12 Helmet Row, London EC1 £3.15

JMQ much enjoyed this Nouveau that is a *sous-margue* of Georges Dubouef with its "intense classic raspberry and banana-like Gamay fruit", and GM gave it his joint top mark noting "strong, balanced and easy to drink".

Pierre Farnaud 1985 Beaujolais. Caves de la Reine £2.25

Sainsbury Wine Club, 28 Midland Road, London NW1 £3.30

Most tasters enjoyed this light, raspberry redolent wine, especially RY who noted "light, racy and clean".

RECOMMENDED

Georges Dubouef 1985 Nouveau. La Nez Rouge, 12 Brewery Road, London N7 £3. London Wine Brokers, 15 Lota Road, London SW10 £2.75

This light, elegant banany zingy wine (JMQ) was admired by DH too. "Gamay fruit and flavour". NC picked up the "boiled sweets flavour" typical of the Dubouef style.

Robert Sarrau's 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau. Europa Wine £2.69, Curzon Wine Company, 11 Curzon Street, London W1 £2.99

"Soft ripe blackberry bouquet" wrote JMQ, "violet" (DH) and "highly scented, flowery aroma" (DC). This unusual Nouveau had it all on the nose.

Celler des Samsons 1985 Beaujolais Primeur. Odolins £2.49, Gough Brothers £2.49

"Easy and attractive" wrote RY and everyone agreed. NC thought it "a good example of the lighter style".

Loron & Fils 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau. Arthur Rackham £2.89, Kershaws Wine Warehouses £2.65

Loron's Nouveau is always well made. GM thought it was "clean, balanced and fresh" and DC noted "light, fresh good aroma".

Piat 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau. Peter Dominic £2.99, Bottoms Up £2.99

Piat also turns out sound and well made Nouveau which with its "big, fat, flowery style" (JMQ) and "rich, balanced fruit" (GM) is just what this is.

Dufour Pèrre et Fils. Superwines, 209 King's Road, London SW3 £2.89

DC gave this wine his highest mark: "Cherry, fruity and good mouthful and long after taste".

BORDERLINE

Unwines 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau. A. Bichot. Unwines £2.99

"Too big, full and jammy" for JMQ but "juicy fruit" for RY and "good fruit" for DH.

Celler des Samsons Beaujolais-Villages Primeur. Odolins £2.99

A superior *appellation* to the non-Villages Primeur but not a superior wine: "alcoholic, lacks fruit at this stage" (NC).

Cécile Pichelin 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau. Majestic £2.29

A bargain price. DH noted "fragrant nose... plenty of body". JMQ "Cherry, fruity" and NC "could be very promising".

Jo Moreau & Fils 1985 Nouveau. Bottoms Up £1.99, Peter Dominic £1.99

A pity that this, one of the cheapest Nouveaux available didn't do as

well as last year. Nonetheless, "quaffable overt fruit" for DH, "full flavour" for RY and "sunbaked jammy fruit" for JMQ.

Thorin 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau. Selected Co-ops £2.79, Berry Bros & Rudd, 3 St James's Street, London SW1 £3.25

"OK but rather bland" noted DH and everyone else agreed.

Pasquier-Desvignes 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau. Arthur Cooper and Roberts shops £2.59

DH loved this "full-flavoured wine" but JMQ thought it had "an off-putting nose".

NOT RECOMMENDED

Reynier 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau. Pierre Dupont, Eldridge Pope £2.67; Threshers 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau, Jules Larose, Threshers £2.79

POOR

ASDA 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau. Jean Paul Selles, ASDA £2.49; Victoria Wine 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau, David & Folland Victoria Wine £2.89; Marks & Spencer, 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau, Celler des Samsons Marks & Spencer £2.99; Chant Frères 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau, Haynes, Hanson & Clark, 17 Little Street, London SW6 £2.99; Littlewoods £2.79

1985 Beaujolais Nouveau. Caves de la Reine Pédague, Littlewoods £2.69; Tesco 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau, A. Barolet, Tesco £2.69; Prosper Mafoux 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau, Gerard Harris £3.45.

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Merchants see red as the big date changes

The heady taste of the 1985 Beaujolais Nouveau festivities has already been soured - by a row over the release date. Traditionally the date has been November 15. Now it is the third Thursday in November - which fell this year on the 21st.

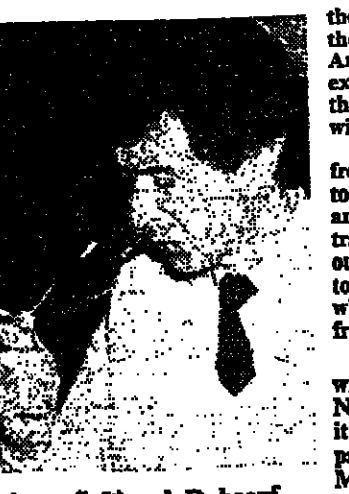
"The later date is entirely in French interests and not in ours or our customers", said Graham Chidley, of the Layton group. "It dies into my Christmas trade and it's a damn shame. English merchants want to sell better wines at better prices at this time of year."

The main reason for the change is the pressure that the Nouveau has put on roads, ferries, airports and French customs officials as it leaves the country in a rush. With a few more days in the bottle, the argument runs, the wine will taste better and its transport can be spread over a longer period.

Marc Pasquier-Desvignes, president of the Union Interprofessionnelle des Vins du Beaujolais (UIVB) insists that the new



Disagreement: Pasquier-Desvignes (left) and Dubouef



date "has eased up everything from the beginning to the end - at all levels".

When November 15 has fallen later in the week in the past, there have been problems. French officials believe that a Thursday gives the wine trade

the Nouveau on the 15th, just as they like grouse on August 12th. And, as Dubouef points out, the extra week is for the benefit of the bureaucrats, not of the winemakers.

The Nouveau trade has risen from 10.07 million litres in 1970 to 48.52 million litres in 1984 and the French customs and transport officials have obvious put pressure on the UIVB to change the date and ease what they call the "infernal frenzy" of Nouveau.

The UIVB now permit the wine to be distributed from November 18 on condition that it is not sold before one minute past midnight on November 21. Most countries, therefore had 1985 supplies in their warehouses and wine shops before the official *deblocage* - but not the UK and West Germany which refused the dispensation supposedly because with so many different wine outlets, it would be impossible to ensure that no wine was sold before the 21st.

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TRAVEL

Where the rain fell mainly on the slopes

In spite of stormy weather, skiing in Spain has a lot to offer, writes Rob Neillands

After four days in Sol y Nieve I began to think that the rain in Spain fell mainly on the ski slopes. Bitter cold with high winds and low cloud held everyone indoors while rain and sleet showers played the resort in rapid succession, all well mixed with conflicting statements from the locals. These ranged from "This winter is very rare" (girl from the tourist office) to "It happens all the time" (disgruntled Spanish skier in café).

Last winter's weather wasn't very wonderful anywhere, but in this case who is one to believe? Back home in Britain, I met a Royal Marine captain who raved about Sol y Nieve having found there the best skiing of his life. Mind you, Royal Marines are tough.

Weather apart, a ski holiday in Spain has a lot to offer. The resorts are small and well equipped, the prices definitely at a sub-Alpine level for the essentials like ski passes, ski school, equipment hire and drinks. The sun is (usually) present and, a great bonus, the Spanish people are terrific. None of that French chilliness or forced Austrian charm, and the warmth of a Spanish mountain welcome can more than compensate for icy moguls on the black bits.

Sol y Nieve is a modern (i.e. garish), purpose-built resort on the southern slopes of the Sierra Nevada, some 20 miles from the Moorish city of Granada. The nearest airport is Malaga and the transfer, across the

green and gold springtime country of Andalusia is one of the delights of the trip. Sol y Nieve is the most southern ski resort in Europe and, from the top of the Veleta, visitors can look out across country to the Mediterranean and, maybe, to the not-too-far-distant shores of North Africa.

The resort straggles along a wide crest which winds eventually up to a *parador*, and the skiing is quite extensive with 18 lifts serving some 30 miles of piste and large amounts of off-piste, in some beautiful scenery. There are mountain bars and restaurants, adequate nightlife, good facilities for children and, in any normal winter, lavish amounts of sunshine even in January.

Granada is the favourite excursion. No visit to Sol y Nieve would be complete without a visit to the Alhambra and, if you are wise, dinner at that wonderful restaurant El Carmen de San Miguel on Calle Nino del Royo, near the Hotel Alhambra.

To find more Spanish skiing, the visitor must travel north to Aragon, Catalonia and the southern slopes of the Pyrenees. Here there are half-a-dozen resorts, all offering good skiing up to the intermediate level, backed by the traditional Spanish benefits of low prices and big smiles.

Formigal is my favourite place in the Spanish Pyrenees, reached by a four-hour transfer

from Zaragoza which is almost worth the trip in itself, so beautiful is the scenery. Formigal is a purpose-built resort set around an old mountain village, and although there are a couple of good restaurants and a popular day excursion to nearby Jaca, this is a place where you make your own fun, meeting up in little bars or the dark disco of the Hotel Formigal. We threw a party to thank our hosts and newly-acquired friends, and drinks and nibbles for 40 people over several hours cost us exactly £12. At those prices, who wouldn't be hospitable?

The skiing takes place under the loom of the Tres Hombres peak, opposite the resort, and offers a good selection of on- and off-piste skiing, certainly enough to keep even good skiers happy for a week. The ski school offers four hours instruction per day and prices are

High life: good snow and large amounts of off piste skiing

moderate: ski hire £9.45, ski school £18.10, lift pass £24.75, all for one week.

If the skiing in Formigal has been exhausted, one can always travel to nearby Panticosa, 10 miles away, a little place with a great deal of charm. We met one English family who were there for the seventh year in succession, so they must know Panticosa's seven lifts and nine runs extremely well.

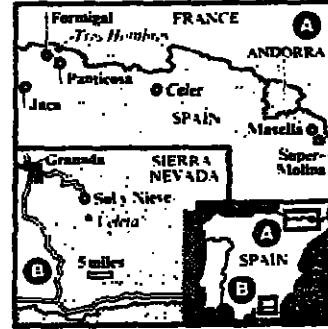
The two other resorts available to British skiers on package holidays are Celer and Super-Molina. Celer is a mixture of Pyrenean village and sub-Alpine Alphaville, quite lively in the evening and with adequate skiing which includes several testing blacks, or at least blacks which are testing after a lively evening. The facilities for children are excellent and cheap, with a week in the children's ski school costing

only £20 for 17 hours' instruction.

Super-Molina, with the nearby resort of Masella, is the largest and one of the oldest Spanish resorts. Twenty-seven lifts serve some 20 well-marked runs, but there is a large amount of off-piste and good possibilities for touring as well as some challenging blacks below the Tossa d'Alp peak, at

2,535m. This is the resort that the up-to-expert skier will enjoy and, here again, prices are cheap with a full one-week lift pass costing only £23.

Low prices, good snow, adequate nightlife, nice people; who could ask for more? Well, good weather might help but no one guarantee that. I'd take a chance on Spain anytime.



TRAVEL NOTES

Sol y Nieve is available on a package holiday from Global and Thomas Cook. A week half-board in the Media Sol y Nieve with Global costs from £196 in January or around £211 in March. Children's reductions are available on all dates. Formigal, Panticosa, Celer and Super-Molina appear in the Thomson Wintersports programme. A week half-board in the Hotel Formigal costs from £185 in January or around £202 in March.

Two holidays for the price of one

TRAVEL NEWS

The price-cutting war for 1986 summer holidays has spread to high street travel agencies. The Exchange Travel group, which has 80 branches throughout the country, has come up with a voucher scheme offering free accommodation for up to 14 nights in more than 100 hotels in the United Kingdom, Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands to all its customers who book a summer overseas holiday with any of the major operators.

Exchange says the offer is worth up to £400 for two people. Santa in Sweden

Weekly tours to the new Santaworld family theme park

at Mora in central Sweden are being operated this winter. Travel is on the new Fred Olsen ferry service from Harwich to Oslo and on to Mora by coach. Price for the eight day tour is £169 for adults and £99 for children. Information from International Travel of Haywards Heath (0444 416546).

Pronto for Toronto

Air Canada is to start a twice weekly scheduled service from Manchester to Toronto next spring. Departure from Manchester will be around midday, with a late-afternoon arrival in Toronto in time for connection flights to other Canadian or United States destinations. Fares will match or undercut those of other carriers.

January sales

Blue Sky has cut the price of many winter-sports holidays during January by up to £30 per person. The offer applies to departures from Gatwick, Manchester and Edinburgh to a range of resorts in Austria, France, Italy, Switzerland and Liechtenstein. A one-week apartment holiday in Flaine on January 11 is reduced from £133 to £103.

American Airplan is offering a Christmas charter fare of £269 return, plus £26.90 airport tax, for Gatwick to New York. Departure from Gatwick is on December 20 and return from New York on January 2. Information on 0932 246166.

Good farm guide

The Farm Holiday Bureau has just published the first edition of its comprehensive guide to farm and country holidays throughout England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Establishments listed in the guide range from traditional beamed farmhouses to modern self-catering units and prices start at £7 for bed and breakfast or £30 per week for self-catering. There is a separate listing of establishments catering specially for disabled visitors. *Farm Holidays in Britain 1986*, from bookshops at £1.95.

Learn-a-weekend

The Ladbroke group has come up with a programme of special-interest winter breaks at its UK hotels. It includes weekends hosted by well-known experts. Among the subjects being tackled are antiques, armchair gardening, wine appreciation, horse-racing, snooker and squash. Prices start at £69 per person.

Philip Ray

Moscow and New York are among the more unlikely destinations for long-weekend winter breaks in a new programme from Thomson Holidays. Prices for a weekend in Moscow start at £169 for a three-night stay, and holidays in New York start at £279, also for three nights.

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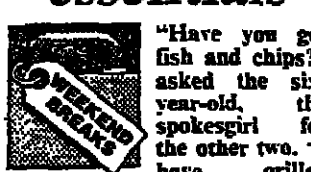
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"Have you got fish and chips?" asked the six-year-old, the spokesgirl for the other two. "I have grilled Dover sole and sautéed potatoes", said the waiter, with as much of the dignity of his calling which remains to one who is swaying in the aisle of an Inter City at speed. There was a good deal of toing and froing and Coke. The boy (aged five) kept his cool and tucked in.

And so we proceeded deeper into the Midlands on our way into mid-Wales: a progressive greening of the senses as the Marches approach. It is a swathe of the greatest loveliness, which takes in the cathedral belt - Gloucester, Hereford, Worcester, up through Leominster and Ludlow and Shrewsbury.

At Shrewsbury we changed trains and continued on the mid-Wales line, one of the great railway rides, running south and west to Llandrindod Wells. For half the journey you are still in England, but this is not a manicured parlour countryside but scruffier, more rugged stuff altogether.

There are four great institutions which I think the London child should know. They are: the Royal Academy summer exhibition; BR restaurant cars; West End musicals; and the maître d'hôtel of a grand one.

The Metropole at Llandrindod Wells has a tall, square-jawed head waiter who is thoroughly awesome. The children save him and knew respect.

SuperTed, who was our host, is the Welsh super-hero and international star. Having no television at home we were rather hazy about him but he turned out to be pretty deeply embedded in the affections of the young.

Admittedly, the little one wailed when introduced to the scarier brain, but has since taken to him in a big way. The older two knew there was an actor inside the suit but waved and worshipped as though they hadn't tumbled the secret; that's what fantasy is all about.

It is a splendid system. The families stay in guest houses (the Kincoed was highly praised) or the Metropole, from Friday night to Sunday lunchtime, and the children have a



Welsh star: Super Ted

SuperTed binge. It runs from videos, through vigorous games (run by the local playleader and his playbros, normally good-timing schools), to farm visits and nature walks. The parents opt in for as little or as much as they like. On the whole, the play team and the kids and the wiser parents seem to prefer to let SuperTed and his helpers get on with it.

Mid-Wales is surpassingly beautiful. We mooched about in a coach, up the Elan Valley, down to Llanwrtyd Wells (the centre of every kind of walking, rough-biking, horse-riding activity). The drive (hike, bike, ride) from Llanwrtyd Wells to Beulah via Abergwesyn, and especially up to the Devil's Staircase, takes one to the places of a lifetime. We filled the two-year-old's bottle at a cataract and felt we were on top of the world.

The kids were told to watch out for a red kite, which is now to be found breeding only in these valleys. They looked and looked, until one of these exquisitely rare creatures gave in and decided to shadow the bus, close and swanky. The kids kind of liked looking at the thing, but wondered why anyone had troubled to pull such a fast one on them. Where the string? Where the tail with tied paper and ribbons? Why the curious dark brown colour?

Richard North

TRAVEL NOTES

SuperTed weekends tend to be run at the end of term and during half-term. There are a few Welsh language specials, if you are based at the Metropole, the cost is £45 per adult, £25 per child; if in a guest house, it is £23 per adult, £25 per child. Phone 0597 2800 for details. Welsh Country Holidays (an arm of the Mid-Wales Development Board), Ladywell House, Newton, Powys SY16 1JB, Wales (0586 28965) have details of a variety of rural pursuits and accommodation for the region.



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The wise men of the East

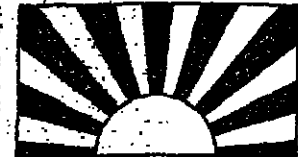
Japanese goods, once known for their inferior quality, have taken the world by storm. Now westerners can't seem to buy enough of them. Beryl Downing finds out why

The Japan exhibition which is to be opened by the Prince of Wales at the Barbican Centre in London on Wednesday is more than a visual feast - it is an eye opener. It spotlights a culture about which we in the West know remarkably little despite our seemingly insatiable appetite for its products.

The most striking exhibits in "Faki - Tradition in Japan Today" are 22 automated dolls made in the 17th century - the ancestors of today's robots. Most are based on an even earlier tradition begun in China in the fifth century BC - dolls 2-5ft high which appear to move on their own but are manipulated by hidden operators.

There is also one example of a mechanically operated tea serving doll which was developed in the 17th century and reached a technical peak in about 1820. This *karakuri ningyo* is activated by the placing and removal of a tea cup from its tray. It is of a type which was greatly prized: today small versions are made as toys. One will be kept as an example in the Barbican shop and will be available to order. Each will cost about £143 plus delivery charges direct from Japan and will take about two weeks.

Another centuries-old technique on display is the raku pottery by Keiko Hasegawa, who came to Britain in 1977 to work with Michael Leach, younger son of Bernard who introduced raku, a 16th-century develop-



ment, to the West. She has her own studio in Devon.

The original raku pieces were tea bowls, highly prized for their distinctively irregular shapes and tactile surfaces. Keiko Hasegawa makes traditional Japanese forms but achieves unusual metallic and textured effects by "firing" the pieces when they are red hot.

Thirty pieces of her own work will be on show, including tea bowls, water jugs, tea caddies, incense boxes and vases and most will be for sale, at prices from £40 to £1,400.

Admirers of a very different craft will delight in the display *Miracles in Carved Ivory*, the first British exhibition by Kodo Okuda, son of a netsuke carver famous in Japan. It includes three amazingly delicate carvings representing the lady, twisted forms of decaying leaves and nine abstract carvings called *Sea Poems*, inspired by waves lapping the shore.

These pieces are from £297 to £11,128, but there is also a small range of about 250 ivory pendants, also delicately executed, at £50 to £55.

The rest of the exhibition, sponsored by the Japan Foundation, includes sculpture, modern paintings, calligraphy, photography, films and demonstrations of puppet manipulation and Ikebana. It opens to the public on November 28 and continues until January 26.

made in Japan. Twenty five years ago those three words meant everything that was cheap, nasty and didn't work. Today they stand for excellence and the transformation is the subject of a good deal of anxious analysis by western manufacturers looking for the magic formula that results in world-wide success.

They might start by reconsidering the word design and dissociating it from decoration. Japanese decorative design has certainly been an inspiration to western artists

and craftsmen since 1854, when Japanese ports were opened to world traders for the first time, ending centuries of economic and cultural isolation. But apart from kimono, dressing gowns, and bonsai, the influence on western decoration has been minimal.

The effect of Japanese industrial design on western life, however, can be seen and heard every day in our houses, our offices, on our roads. Their hi-fi, television, computers, calculators, cameras, motorcycles and cars have won world recognition, and their approach to design is as thorough as their technology.

Design for the Japanese is not about the twiddly bits; it is about people and world markets and planning. Kenneth Grange, of the international design company Pentagram, has worked with several Japanese companies, designing products for European markets and he is constantly impressed by their foresight.

They work on a 10 or 20-year time scale and one of the consequences of that is the fact that they are now employing European designers, he says.

"Long ago they perceived that they didn't know enough about the habits and characteristics of Europeans, so they began to buy the best advice.

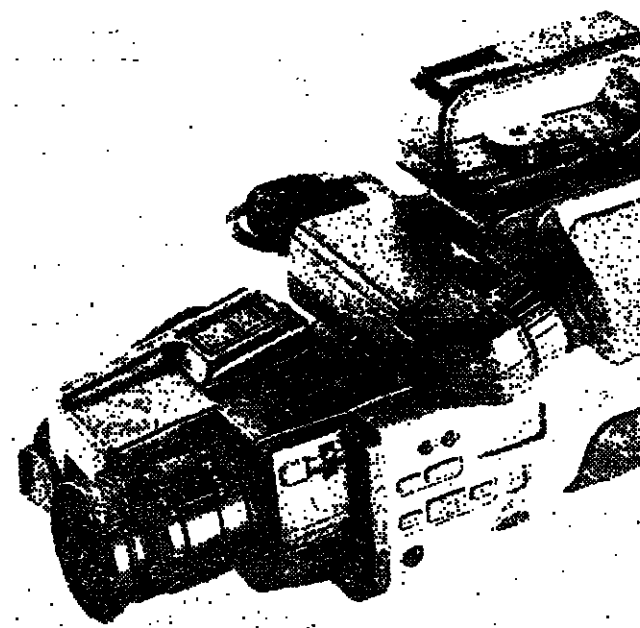
"They have used Italian car designers, for instance, for a long time but gradually they build up expertise in their own workforce and begin to produce their own versions. They are generous with the people they

employ, but you mustn't think it is going to last for ever. There is a buying-learning process. "There is more innovation evident now, not just copying, although I still don't think they have produced a really stylish television. But some of their hi-fi is very cool, and their motor cycles are superb."

It takes a good deal of patience for a European to understand the painstaking perfectionism that characterizes everything Japanese. Barry Weaver is one of the team at Roberts Weaver, a rapidly expanding design consultancy which was responsible for such varied undertakings as the latest SodaStream machine and the Goshilly Down satellite earth station. He is now working with a Japanese company and has already made four journeys to Tokyo simply to establish a mutual trust.

"They make a phenomenal number of versions of a product - we only see the tip of the iceberg here," he says. "There will be 1,000 different technical and aesthetic variations all made to suit various markets. The sheer scale of their manufacture is staggering."

This is not entirely, as we tend to think, a calculated assault on other manufacturing countries. The Japanese themselves are extraordinarily greedy consumers - 60 per cent of their production is bought by their home market, 30 per cent goes to the United States, 10 per cent to Europe, of which about



Technical supremacy past and present. Top, the 'chakkobi' tea serving doll made from 17th-century technical drawings for the Barbican exhibition; below, the ins and outs of the new Canonvision 8, the first autofocus video camera on the British market, made by Canon

1 per cent is sold in Britain. Even so, this amounted to more than £3,771 million last year.

A great deal of their success is due to their willingness to learn. Dr Sebastian Green, a senior research officer at the London Business School, has studied the comparison between our two cultures and suggests that one of the reasons some British companies are doing badly is because of our "intellectual tunnel vision".

"The Japanese success has all happened in the last 15 to 20 years," he says. "They didn't always make superior products but they were willing to listen to what people wanted. The shoddy 'made in Japan' stuff was not liked so they responded and went instead for quality and attention to detail."

"We tend to be blinded by our own assumptions because we dominated the market for so long. The Japanese were trying

to enter the market so they were prepared to learn."

They have learnt to the extent that they are now constantly producing firsts and bests. Canon have just produced the first autofocus 8mm video camera on the UK market - lightweight at 1.98kg and with the facility to be plugged straight into the television set for instant playback. Called the Canonvision 8 it costs £1,199, from larger branches of Dixons from mid-December.

Another camera which has been a great success since it was launched earlier this year is Minolta's AFE (auto focus easy), which is compact, lightweight, elegant in a silver finish and quite the easiest point-and-shoot camera I have ever used, producing excellent results in non-professional hands. £84.95 from the City Camera Exchange, London EC4.

Easy to use is also the watchword for Aiwa, who have

produced three new headphone radios this year, all at under £40. Best is the HT-S07, £39.95, which has no external wires and the radio is incorporated into the headphones; the miniature CRO-5 at the same price fits comfortably into a shirt pocket and has separate headphones, and there is also a slightly cheaper version, FM only, at £34.95, at main branches of Dixons.

Small is also beautiful at Sanyo. Apart from the products they make for the domestic market, they also have a thriving business in machines, section which includes the nearest thing to a typewriter I have seen. There is a large range (a typical example of small variations on the same theme) which includes models with sophisticated editing buttons which enable the user to go back and verbally "scribble in the

margin", inserting notes for the person who will eventually type up the recording.

For the private user, the basic Microcassette M5450 illustrated is small and light enough to be a useful travelling companion. It can be used one-handed in a car, will pick up voices in a noisy restaurant and makes a most convenient memory pad. It costs £57.49 from Sanyo, 80-82 Quadrant Arcade, Regent Street, London W1 (01-734 7866).

All these products depend not only on their functional excellence but on their attractive appearance.

A new cigarette lighter designed by Kenneth Grange for Wilkinson Sword typifies the best of British design and Japanese production. The curve at the front fits the trigger finger perfectly - press and the flame becomes part of the design, completing it in a spike of light. The Trigger costs £4.95 from

branches of Woolworths and House of Fraser.

The curious aspect is that it is made in Malaysia by a Japanese company, because they were unable to find one in Japan to make it in time for Wilkinson Sword's Christmas launch. "But it isn't Malaysian quality," says Kenneth Grange. "It is Japanese because of their insistence on perfection all along the line."

"I regard the Japanese influence on world production as a hopeful one. All this talk of our becoming a service nation because of the decline in manufacturing is rubbish."

"The Japanese have set a world standard of excellence and when your own work force starts buying Japanese because it is best, there is no point in making anything less good. Manufacturing is the base of our economy and always will be. We simply have to be as good as the best."

IN STORE

Japanese technical goods are available in every high street in the country but there are also several shops which have established themselves as specialists in decorative Japanese design. For your address book, here are some of the main sources:

Liberty, Regent Street, London W1 (01-734 1234).

The collection of Japanese prints is one of the largest in the country. There are more than 500, from small 19th-century examples at £28 to a £2,250 Hokusai (whose wave picture is as well-known to collectors of Oriental art as Hockney's "Splash" is to admirers of modern Western art). The print section is run by Percy Barker who also has a shop at 38 High Petergate, York (0904 51080).

Also in the Oriental department is a huge array of everyday items - a crisp blue and porcelain - a crisp blue and white floral teapot and six cups are £25, rice bowls in every conceivable pattern are from 95p and a fish-shaped dish is £4.95. Ikebana vases in graphic black and white shapes are from £12.50. Lacquer wear is popular and a small black tray decorated with Japanese crests is £3.75. A wick wobbly chiming doll is £2.95.

Mitsukiku, The Japanese Shop, 90 Regent Street, London W1 (01-437 5582). Branches in Birmingham, Manchester and Brighton. Here, Japanese food is bought by the Japanese themselves. All the ingredients are available, including seaweed at 3p, and they recommend drinking a small cup of health vinegar every morning - £3.40 a bottle. Kenkoh shoes from £21.99 have soles like a bed of rubber nails to stimulate blood circulation. Downstairs is a vast selection of kimono fabrics at embroidered polyester in £49.95 and "happy" jackets in £49.95 or cotton at £29.99, viscose or cotton at £19.99, winterweight padded kimono ("anzans") are £73.50. Gifts include bamboo butterfly, bas-



Decorative traditions: Ikebana vase £15, chiming doll £2.95, both at Liberty; dish with butterfly £14.50, fish handkerchief £5.50 at Mitsukiku; iron tea pot £6.95, stand £4.55, at Neal Street East

kets used for sweets, £14.50, and bright red handkerchiefs folded into origami fishes, £5.50.

Mitsukiku, Dorland Hall, 14 Regent Street, London SW1 (01-839 8714). This is one of Japan's largest department stores (70 branches) and in London, 7,000 Japanese customers a month can buy Aquascutum, Ballantyne, Pringle and Burberry and other top British names. The quid pro quo is a good choice of Japanese goods - a china teapot and five cups are £15 or (more elaborate) £150 and dishes are from £2-£20.

Neal Street East, 5 Neal Street, London WC2 (01-836 2707). One of the largest selections of books on Japan (more than 900) is housed here and subjects range from martial arts, cookery and art to the tea ceremony. There is also a good selection of silk and cotton kimonos, some antique, from £29-£350. Simple woven cotton workwear from £30 makes comfortable lounge wear and a pretty blue and white flowered "yukata" (sleeping kimono) is £19.95. For those

interested in calligraphy, a beginner's set is £5.25 which includes an ink stone, ink and three tiny brushes. For tea, there is a traditional cast-iron teapot, £6.95, and stand, £4.55, used with tiny cups from £1.40; for keeping the tea warm there are lidded cups at £5.45. A carnival mask (there is a festival every month in Japan) is £10.95 and a crescent moon-shaped wooden comb in its own red and white pouch is £3.45.

FOOD

Japanese Food Centre, 5 Warwick Street, London W1 (01-437 4480). Here is a large selection of basic Japanese fare, including a variety of Japanese noodles "Soba", from 60p to £1.20 and sweet Japanese ricecake, £1.50 per packet. There are dried vegetables, seaweed at £2.60 per packet and a range of teas.

BOOKS

The Japanese Publications Centre, 5 Warwick Street, London W1 (01-437 4480). There is a good range of English books on Japan. Subjects

include art, religion, guides and martial arts and it stocks the best known Japanese novelists including Mishima and Endo.

Dillons University Bookshop, 1 Melet Street, London WC1 (01-636 1577). Dillons has books on Japan in nearly every section: contemporary and historical politics, Japanese society, dictionaries, art and travel autobiographies. Even a guide to Japanese massage "Shiatsu" is available.

Knightsbridge Books, 39 Store Street, London W1 (01-638 1252). One of the largest collections of books about Japan - more than 5,000. There are histories, literature, books on politics and art, modern novels translated into English and something on almost anything Japanese.

Books Nippon, 64-66 St Paul's Churchyard, London EC4 (01-248 4957). All the books here are imported from Japan and there is an up-to-date section of paperback comics for children and adults. £3-£4.50 and women's magazines including *Mora*, the Japanese equivalent of *Elle*. Other topics include business,

crafts, cooking, reference and novels. Stationery and cards are also available.

FUTONS

The Futon Centre, Kingsgate Workshop, 110 Kingsgate Road, London NW6 (01-328 5764).

Here is a huge selection of Futons of every type. A single size futon and base is £175, a double, £300-£225. There are three different kinds of bases, to allow conversion into sofas, recliners and beds, from £85-£275. There are 30 different colours to choose from, including the tassels and piping.

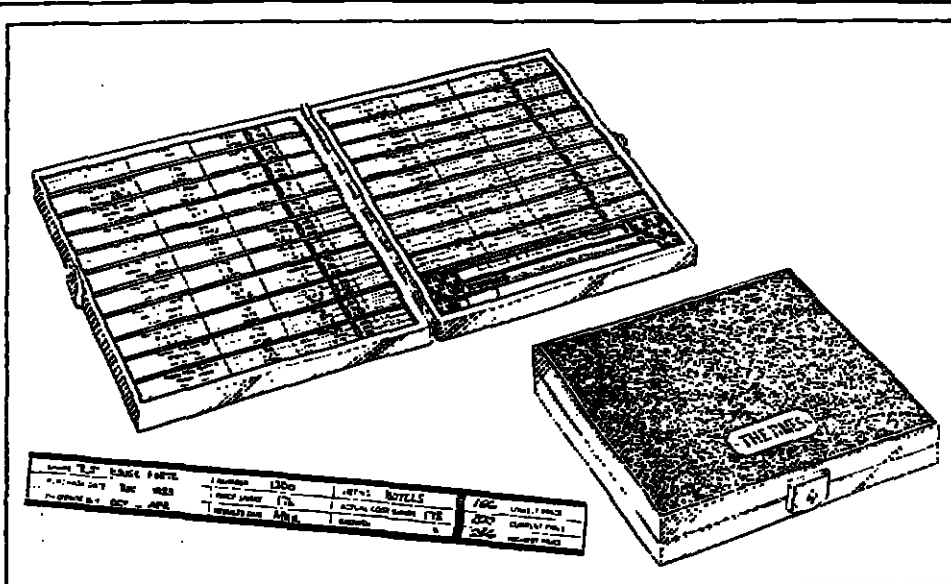
The Futon Company, 10 Rivington Street, EC2 (01-729 0670), 65-66 Fulham Road, London SW6 (01-738 9133) and 82 Tottenham Court Road. A wide range of Futons includes a complete double sofa bed at £524, consisting of a pine bed frame, two futons and two cotton covers - apparently big enough for four. Mattresses from £59 for a 2ft 6in single to a 5ft Queen size, £119. Tatami mats, made from rice straw covered with sea grass, which the Japanese use as the traditional base, are £69 for a standard 6ft by 3ft size. There is a range of 100 per cent cotton bed-linen in different colours and a selection of Gaijin beds and chairs which are supposed to give you perfect posture.

Debenhams, Oxford Street, London W1 (01-580 3000). Futon sofa beds by Dorma are stocked here. A single mattress is £74.95, a double £89.95 and a single futon and base is £229.95, a double £299.95. Cushions are £15.95 each, bolsters £19.95 each and to order, allow 21-28 days for delivery.

Habitat, 198 Tottenham Court Road, London W1 (01-631 3880) and branches. A solid ash bed is available from stores and by catalogue. The mattress is a pair of futons, £195 and the base £194 is made up of a rectangle which can become a sofa and 2 squares which serve as coffee tables.

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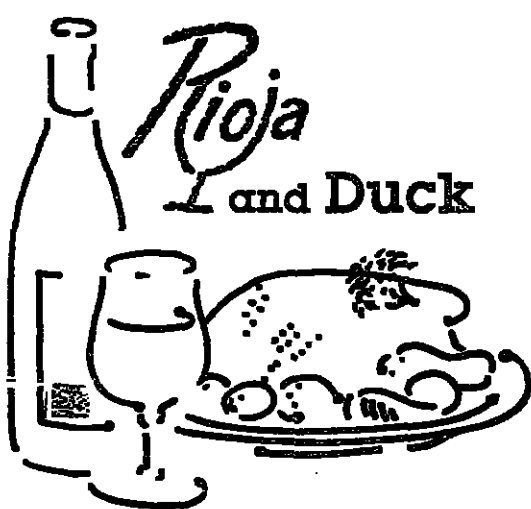
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EATING OUT



Gobblers galore: turkey is the traditional thanksgiving fare, even at American restaurants in London (right).

Neat eats for thanksgiving

In celebration mood, Stan Hey tracks down the true flavour of America

Thursday is Thanksgiving Day in the United States, an opportunity for the nation to "acknowledge the divine favours received during the year" (Brewer). This may or may not embrace the visit of Chuck and Di or the continued machinations of Joan Collins, but one thing is for sure - an awful lot of turkeys will be wishing they'd been born this side of the Atlantic.

Americans over here still cling to the ceremonial element of the day - a lunch or dinner with the family - but tend to celebrate it at home. This may have something to do with the quality of American food available in Britain. There are so many restaurants with glibly assumed transatlantic identities and a freezer full of processed hamburgers, that it must be as galling for Americans to walk into these as it would be for us to enter Ye Olde Steakhouse Pudding House in Trenton, New Jersey.

The most authentic venues in the capital remain those with a genuine American connection - Joe Allen, the bare-brick Covent Garden basement beloved of theatricals, Piccadilly's Hard Rock Café, whose almost permanent queues give testimony to its attraction, and Chicagoan Bob Payton's entertaining group of pizza parlours, rib shacks and bars.

His first venture here, The Chicago Pizza Pie Factory, was

launched on Thanksgiving Day eight years ago and, in recognition of this, any customer who turns up on Thursday with proof of a birthday on November 28 will receive a bottle of champagne. Elements of the Thanksgiving Day meal will be offered in the form of turkey pizzas and pumpkin pies, while The Chicago Rib Shack and Payton Place will both include roast turkey as well as a main dish of the day.

The success of Payton's operations has given a lead to others, and the recently opened L.A. Café has borrowed extensively from the established formula - cocktail bar, salad bar and restaurant under one roof. The premises have been thoroughly spruced up in bright and breezy style. The brass fittings, polished wooden floors,

extensive greenery and assorted wall decorations (everything from James Dean posters to gold discs in frames), offer an attractive backdrop to a rather less-inspired menu.

Burgers, ribs, chicken wings, potato skins are backed up by what's known in the trade as "Tex-Mex" dishes of assorted enchiladas, tortillas, burritos, nachos and whatever else Pat Boone mentioned in *Speedy Gonzales*. These dishes, I

always find, are rather like those mock Western towns which are just cardboard "flats" - all myth and no substance - and some of the tastes are pretty wooden, too.

Nevertheless, the L.A. Café is broadening its range for Thanksgiving Day with a traditional three-course menu at

Open: Mon-Sat 11.45am-11.30pm; Sun noon-11pm. L.A. Café, 183 Knightsbridge, London SW7 (01-896 0651). Open: daily noon-midnight. Tony Roma's (A Place for Ribs), 46 St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-379 3330). Open: daily noon-12.30am. Number 10 Restaurant, Churchill Hotel, Portman Square, London W1 (01-486 5800). Open: daily noon-3pm and 5pm-11pm. South Sider's, 5-13 Battersea High Street, London SW11 (01-223 6465). Open: daily 10am-3pm and 5.30pm-midnight.

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Joe Allen, 13 Exeter Street, London WC2 (01-836 0651). Open: Mon-Sat noon-1am; Sun noon-midnight. Chicago Pizza Pie Factory, 17 Hanover Square, London W1 (01-829 2889). Open: Mon-Sat 11.45am-11.30pm; Sun noon-10.30pm. Chicago Rib Shack, 1 Raphael Street, London SW7 (01-581 5595). Open: daily 11.45am-11.30pm. Payton Place, 96 Charing Cross Road, London WC2 (01-379 3277).

BRIDGE

How Chelsea sailed into the grand slam

Although partnerships formed by bridge internationals are not noted for their permanency, it was a little surprising that all three pairs who represented Great Britain in the European Championship in Salsomaggiore should break up immediately afterwards.

Roman Smolksi, who played with Keith Stanley in Italy, has joined Irving Rose in a combination which will be unlikely to sit on the splic. In order to allow the new pair an opportunity to practise, Smolksi replaced me in the team which won the Gold Cup last year: Dixon, Silverstone, Rose and Sheehan. Barry Myers, Sheehan's new partner, completed a strong line-up.

The new formation centred effortlessly through the first two rounds without the need for any prolonged discussions on system by Rose and Smolksi. In the third round, they met a keen collection from the Young Chelsea Club. The seeded team made heavy weather of the early exchanges. Victor Silverstone, normally one of the game's most secure players, let a chance slip on this hand. Teams: East-West game. Dealer South.

With eight boards to play, the favourites were a few points ahead. Then came this critical hand. Game all. Dealer West.

♠ Q4 ♠ AK10876 ♠ AK87653 ♠ AK87653
N E S W
♠ K765 ♠ N ♠ S ♠ A8
West Sheehan 47 East Myers 67
No

Sheehan and Myers play the South African Texas convention, whereby an opening bid of four clubs would promise either a solid heart suit with an outside ace or King, or a semi-solid heart suit with an outside ace. Sheehan is critical of his own choice of opening, feeling that perhaps he should have flouted the rigid requirements of the convention. I do not agree. Myers must surely take the blame. If he had bid four no trumps over four hearts and followed with six diamonds over five diamonds, Sheehan, who had promised at most 4AKJ10xxx, would have bid seven hearts.

The Young Chelsea team sailed into the grand slam, and advanced into the fourth round of the Gold Cup.

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look at Bobby Fischer.

The quality of chess played in the match between Bobby Fischer and Boris Spassky in 1972 was as good as any World Championship contest.

Such matches always produce mistakes because of the tension of the occasion. What matters is the nature and shape of the ideas in the games; and those in the Spassky-Fischer encounter were such as only superb players could have conceived.

Fischer's best game was the sixth. It followed his known pattern - the rather familiar opening, the little improvements according to latest theory and the exploitation of the theoretical initiative gained. Fischer played it to perfection. By move 22 it was clear he was winning - and then came the beautiful finish.

One very nice touch was that Spassky joined in the applause at the end. Fischer, being human, was affected by this but, as he subsequently told a friend, he had to hurry away to hide his feelings. "What a gentleman Spassky is", he is reported to have said. But he wanted to restrain such feelings for fear that they would interfere with the tigerish quality which he regarded as essential for crushing an opponent.

White: Fischer. Black: Spassky. Queen's Gambit Declined, Tartakower Variation, World Championship, Reykjavik 1972.

1 P-Q4 P-Q3 2 N-Q3 P-Q4 3 P-Q4 P-Q3 4 P-Q3 P-Q3 5 P-Q4 P-Q3 6 P-Q3 P-Q3 7 B-N4 P-Q3

This is the Tartakower variation, really a modernized version of the old orthodox defence to the Queen's Gambit. According to theory it is playable. Spassky has used it often before and it is currently a favourite of both Karpov and Kasparov.

8 P-Q4 P-Q3 9 B-N3 Q-N3 10 N-N4 P-N3 11 B-N1 B-N3

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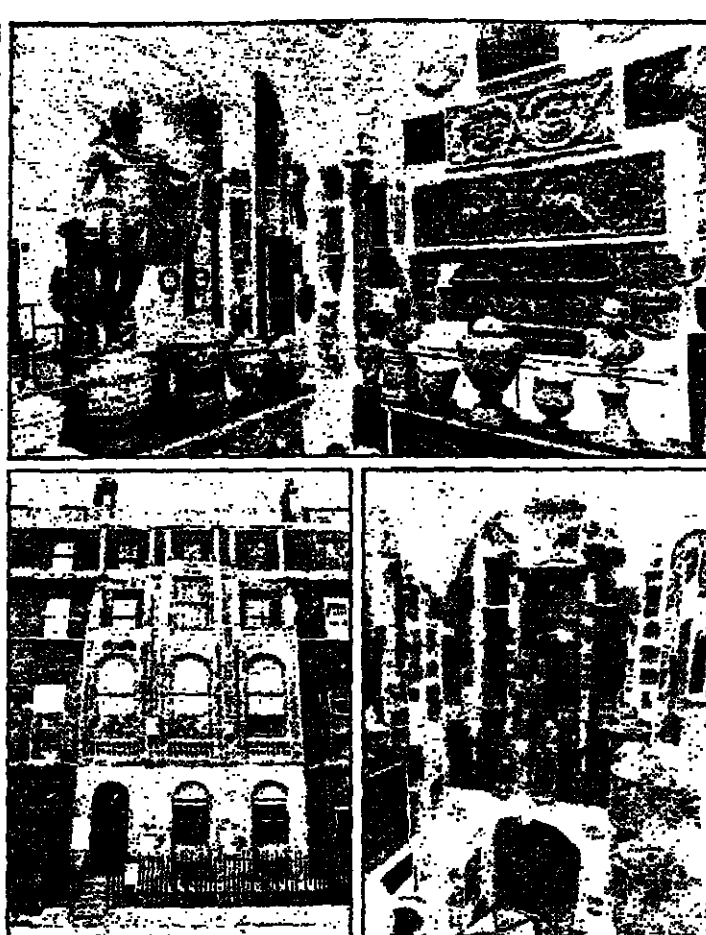
the Tartakower variation. One might have expected 11... B-N2 here but in fact the Bishop is better placed on K3.

12 P-Q4 P-Q3 13 P-Q4 P-Q3 14 P-Q4 P-Q3 15 P-Q4 P-Q3 16 P-Q4 P-Q3 17 P-Q4 P-Q3 18 P-Q4 P-Q3 19 P-Q4 P-Q3 20 P-Q4 P-Q3 21 P-Q4 P-Q3 22 P-Q4 P-Q3 23 P-Q4 P-Q3 24 P-Q4 P-Q3 25 P-Q4 P-Q3 26 P-Q4 P-Q3 27 P-Q4 P-Q3 28 P-Q4 P-Q3 29 P-Q4 P-Q3 30 P-Q4 P-Q3 31 P-Q4 P-Q3 32 P-Q4 P-Q3 33 P-Q4 P-Q3 34 P-Q4 P-Q3 35 P-Q4 P-Q3 36 P-Q4 P-Q3 37 P-Q4 P-Q3 38 P-Q4 P-Q3 39 P-Q4 P-Q3 40 P-Q4 P-Q3 41 P-Q4 P-Q3 42 P-Q4 P-Q3 43 P-Q4 P-Q3 44 P-Q4 P-Q3 45 P-Q4 P-Q3 46 P-Q4 P-Q3 47 P-Q4 P-Q3 48 P-Q4 P-Q3 49 P-Q4 P-Q3 50 P-Q4 P-Q3 51 P-Q4 P-Q3 52 P-Q4 P-Q3 53 P-Q4 P-Q3 54 P-Q4 P-Q3 55 P-Q4 P-Q3 56 P-Q4 P-Q3 57 P-Q4 P-Q3 58 P-Q4 P-Q3 59 P-Q4 P-Q3 60 P-Q4 P-Q3 61 P-Q4 P-Q3 62 P-Q4 P-Q3 63 P-Q4 P-Q3 64 P-Q4 P-Q3 65 P-Q4 P-Q3 66 P-Q4 P-Q3 67 P-Q4 P-Q3 68 P-Q4 P-Q3 69 P-Q4 P-Q3 70 P-Q4 P-Q3 71 P-Q4 P-Q3 72 P-Q4 P-Q3 73 P-Q4 P-Q3 74 P-Q4 P-Q3 75 P-Q4 P-Q3 76 P-Q4 P-Q3 77 P-Q4 P-Q3 78 P-Q4 P-Q3 79 P-Q4 P-Q3 80 P-Q4 P-Q3 81 P-Q4 P-Q3 82 P-Q4 P-Q3 83 P-Q4 P-Q3 84 P-Q4 P-Q3 85 P-Q4 P-Q3 86 P-Q4 P-Q3 87 P-Q4 P-Q3 88 P-Q4 P-Q3 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OUT AND ABOUT

Dizzy tricks from an architect of genius

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At home with the past: the brooding presence of Sir John Soane (left) can still be felt at his London home in Lincoln's Inn Fields (centre left). The house contains an extraordinary area of architectural material and the volume of exhibits is overwhelming, particularly in the Dome (top and centre right). But the most impressive room is the Breakfast Parlour (right)

"Alas Poor Fanny" is an odd sort of inscription to find on a monk's tomb. But then a monk's tomb is an odd sort of thing to find in the basement of a Georgian town house. So, come to that, is a huge Egyptian sarcophagus covered in hieroglyphics. Fanny was a dog actually, and the monk a figment of the imagination. The sarcophagus cost a small fortune. The Breakfast Parlour is lined with 100 mirrors. The stairs get wider as they go up. This is Sir John Soane's Museum.

The survival of this extraordinary building in Lincoln's Inn Fields is one of the few pieces of posthumous luck Soane has had, though he secured it himself by leaving his home to the nation in 1833. Otherwise Soane, our leading architect of the pre-Victorian 19th century, has not been well served by posterity. His greatest work, the new Bank of England, was scandalously demolished in the 1920s, all but the perimeter walls. Many of his best houses have been gutted or knocked down, and his own country house at Ealing is now a public library. The Dulwich Picture Gallery was blitzed and lost something in its reconstruction. But happily we still

have the museum by which to remember one of the handful of truly great British architects.

To call it a museum is misleading. What we have is Soane's London home (and studio), which he extended into the two adjoining houses to accommodate an "academy of architecture" embodying his theories and tastes. The result is that walking into this house is very much like walking into Sir John Soane's mind - a mine that was absolutely individual, complex, chock-full of architectural ideas, steeped in antiquity yet forthrightly avant-garde.

A disorientating vista at every new turn

Even the outside of the house is quite unlike anything else in London, with its great projecting facade of incised stone, its two carvate and its four medieval brackets (salvaged from the old Westminster Hall). This improvement got Soane into trouble with the district surveyor, but he got his own way in the end. Inside, everything is designed with

Sir John Soane's home is now a museum

that reveals the wide range of his interests.

Nigel Andrew reports

the utmost care to give the dramatic effects of light and shade, of groupings and vistas which, to Soane, were the "poetry of architecture". Originally the glass of the windows was partly coloured, in pinks and yellows and with stained-glass inserts, which must have made the effects still more striking. Even with plain glass and electric light, every room is packed with incident - especially the series of brilliantly devised spaces at the rear of the house. Here is the astonishing collection of antiquities, casts, paintings, sculptures, architectural models, drawings and curiosities that Soane arranged as a vivid embodiment of his own artistic thought.

Every surface is encrusted with fragments of architecture - genuine antiquities and casts - and at every turn some new, disorientating vista opens up. Above and below, outside and in, to left and right, are statues and busts, columns and arches, catacombs and colonnades, pictures and carvings and little visual tricks.

It is all quite dizzying and overwhelming, so that it is a relief to come to a pause and examine the paintings in the Picture Rooms. These alone would be worth the trip - important Hogarths, Piranesis, Canaletos, Turners... all are hung on the

Staggering memorial to a great mind

ingenious movable screens which Soane devised to multiply his hanging space and view his pictures from different angles.

The more domestic parts of the house are equally fascinating and designed with similar virtuosity.

The Breakfast Parlour in particular is a gem, topped with one of those "handkerchief domes" which were a

Soane trademark and which can still be seen on the old-fashioned phone-boxes designed by Giles Gilbert Scott, a Soane admirer.

In the South Drawing Room hangs a portrait of Soane's two sons, both of whom were disappointments, and one of whom savagely attacked his father's architecture in an essay in *The Guardian*. The shock of this, Soane believed, caused his wife's death - a blow which intensified his natural melancholy for the remainder of his life.

The Soane Museum would be a virtually unique survival even as the house of a representative professional man of the period. But as Soane's individual creation, it is infinitely more than that. The sheer quantity of material is staggering, and there is such a wealth of documentation and of drawings that the research so far has barely scratched the surface.

But, above all, it is the memorial of a great architectural mind. There is nothing remotely like it in England.

Sir John Soane's Museum, 13 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2 (01-405 2107). Open Tues-Sat 10am-5pm. Lecture tours, lasting about an hour, Sat 2.30pm.

WEEKLY WALKS

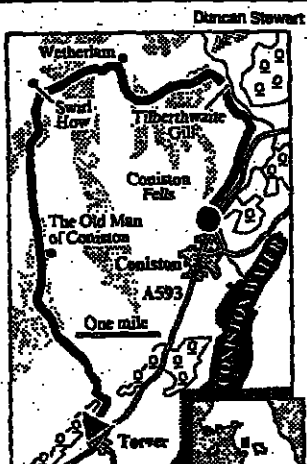
It is hard to undertake any of the recognized walks in the Lake District without following the redoubtable steps of the artist and writer Alfred Wainwright. This is a truncated version of his great circuit of the fells to the west and south of Conistone.

Take the left-hand turning one mile north of the village on the Ambleside road and head south from the car park at the foot of Tiberthwaite Gill.

A stiff rewarding climb up this magnificent cleft of rock and stream lands us beneath the first of our three peaks, Wetherlam.

A well-earned path winds up with an Alpine snailiness to the summit from which, on a clear day, there is a fine panorama taking in the Scafell range, the other great shapes above Waddale, the distinctive landmark of Pile o' Stickle at the head of Langdale and, away on the north-west coast, the mighty marshy fells of Sellafield, belching ominously away into the Cumbrian sky.

With the bulk of the



climbing behind us, we now follow an undulating ridge down to Swirl How and finally up again to the top of the Old Man of Conistone. Wainwright would have us carry on to Dow Crag and then back up to Conistone along the high track, but the less ambitious, whom I have in mind here, will scramble their own way down the southern flank of the mountain to Torver, avoiding at all costs the execrable "ploughman's lunch" at the village pub.

Alan Franks

OUTINGS

PLASTICS: New gallery at the Science Museum shows the role of plastics in the modern world from Wellington boots to the tip of Concorde's nose. Among the items on display are a 1920s Laigue box and a Bakelite coffin, a Lotus car and an artificial leg. A large injection-moulding robot gives more information and computer games allow the visitor to "run" a plastics factory. Science Museum, South Kensington, London SW7 (01-589 3458). From today, Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2.30-6pm. Free.

SAVING OUR UNSPOILT COASTLINE: An illustrated lecture by Robin Harland of the National Trust Enterprise Neptune, the project launched by the Trust

earlier in the year. The aim of the campaign is to increase awareness of the threats to Britain's coasts. Horniman Museum, London Road, Forest Hill, London SE23 (01-899 2339). Today, 3.30pm. Free.

RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS INTERNATIONAL: All-female competition with stars from the USSR, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, France, Spain, Italy, West Germany and Britain. Rhythmic gymnastics requires the girls to use hand apparatus - ropes, clubs, ball and ribbon - on the 12 metre-square floor area. It became an Olympic sport in 1984. Wembley Conference Centre, Wembley, Middlesex (01-802 1234). Today, 1-4.30pm. Tickets £4 and £5.

ANIMAL MAGIC AND MUSIC: Programme, designed mainly for children, in which Johnny Morris presents film from his BBC TV series and schools broadcaster Douglas Coombes provides the music. Songs written by both men

are interspersed between films. Queen Elizabeth Hall, Royal Festival Hall, Belvedere Road, London SE1 (01-928 3191). Tomorrow, 3pm. Tickets £2, £3, £4, £5, £6.

CRAFT FAIR: Claimed by the organizers to be the biggest of its kind in Europe with 300 stallholders present. Craft items include jewellery and rugs from Peru, handicrafts from Tenerife, toys of all descriptions, silk kimono, clocks. Prices range from 50p-£500. Demonstrations of glass blowing, spinning, weaving. Alexandra Pavilion, Wood Green, London N22. Further information Rod Rhind (01-937 8895). Today, tomorrow, 10.30am-6pm. Adult £1, child 50p.

NOVEMBER FLOWER SHOW: A number of specialists will show orchids, chrysanthemums, evergreen trees and shrubs, late-cropping apples and pears. Also an exhibition of botanical paintings. Royal Horticultural Society Halls,

Vincent Square, London SW1 (01-834 4333). Tues 26, 11am-7pm, admission £1.50; Wed, 10am-5pm, admission £1.

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Judy Froshaug

CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 808)

Prizes of the New Collins Thesaurus will be given for the first two correct solutions opened on Thursday, November 28 1985. Entries should be addressed to The Times Concise Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT. The winners and solution will be announced on Saturday, November 30 1985.

- ACROSS**
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 - 6 Cigarette end (4)
 - 7 Feet by (6)
 - 8 Lower jaw (4)
 - 9 Polish/German border river (4)
 - 10 Wood carving (6)
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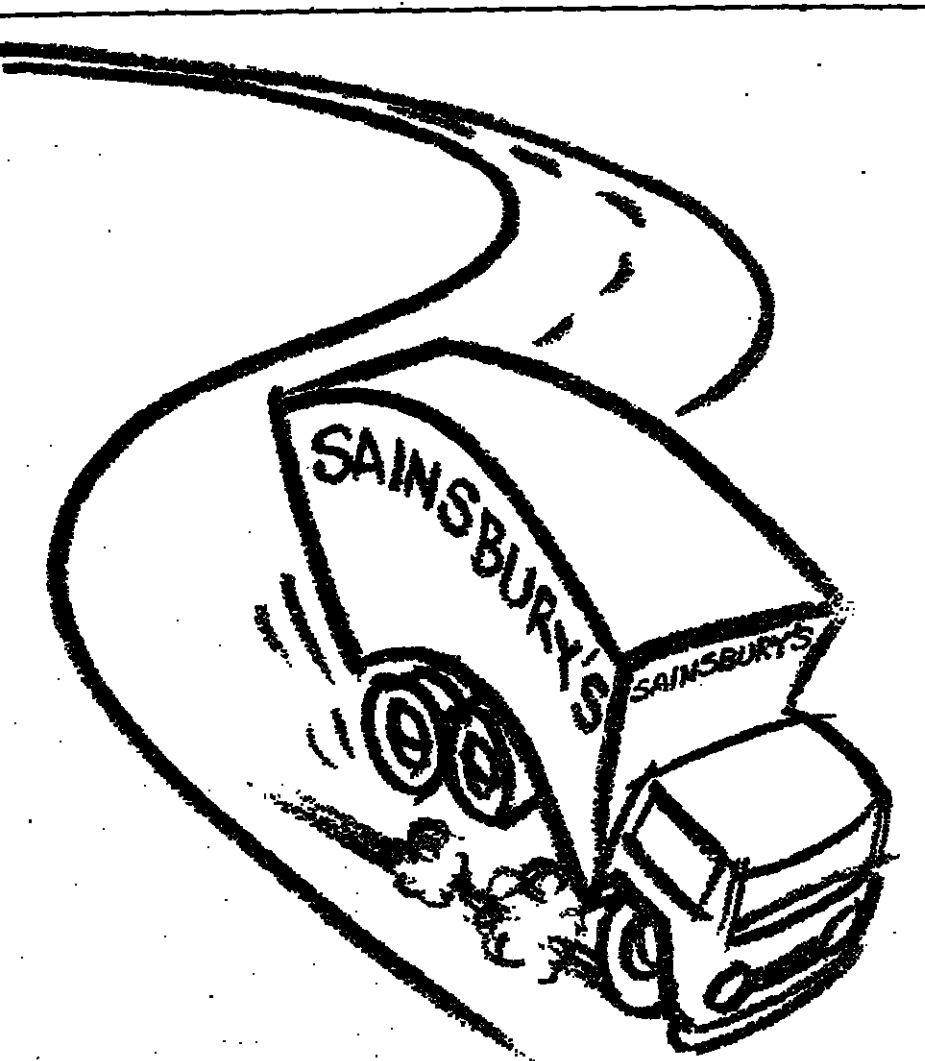
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 - 8 Not yield (6)
 - 9 Japanese currency (3)
 - 10 Sweet lozenge (6)
 - 11 Front tooth (7)
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 - 13 Acute anxiety (5)
 - 14 Egyptian cross (4)
 - 15 Glancing snooker shot (4)
 - 16 Stigma (4)

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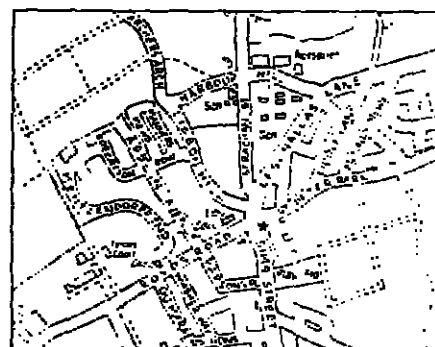
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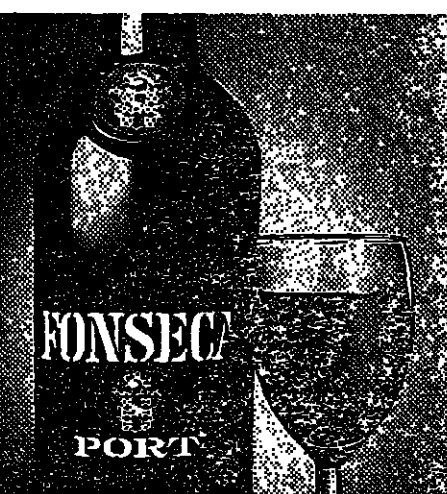


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COLLECTING

Perfectly formed pin-ups

Before he became a jeweller Paul Longmire saw a tie-pin in a Mayfair shop window and bought both the pin and the shop. This is in the same league as the story of Sir Jocelyn Hambro who, when informed, that his favourite luncheon haunt, Wilton's, was to close asked them to put both his lunch and their restaurant on the bill.

The tie-pin, or stickpin, which so impressed Paul Longmire that day in Bury Street was a shimmering, multi-coloured enamel knot wriggling on the end of its pin.

Stickpins are one of the few examples of men's jewellery. Originally crafted by jewellers in the late 17th century and still made today, they have come to represent that elegant age when gentlemen had time to devote all morning to their dress, and if Beau Brummell wore a black moor stickpin in his cravat at White's that lunchtime, next day they would all want one.

Being small, the stickpin lends itself to extravagance of design. Rose diamond animals are popular, and even a politician has been immortalized wearing a diamond monochrome and stately weighing democratic leaves of bread in his hands. The former are available at Tessier's in Bond Street, who also have a fine diamond cockerel with red enamel cockade and gold feet (£385); the latter is part of jeweller Nicholas Harris's private collection. In Mr Harris's shop in Conduit Street, even Peter Jeffs, the manager, wears a diamond stickpin, made by Tiffany (naturally) and numbered.

Once Nicholas Harris was able to stock a tray with some 100 stickpins but, since women started wearing them, the number of nice examples has diminished.

Small tie-pins can fetch high prices, as Victoria Mather reveals

You can see why. The stickpin is an exquisite, novel and relatively cheap form of jewellery. It is one of the few small, but perfectly formed, objects that you can collect and also wear. Its diversity is infinite. Foxes' masks are among the most popular and S. J. Phillips have a fearsome gold example with beady diamond eyes, as well as a splendid hunting crop surmounted by a hunt cap studded with a cabochon garnet, gold spurs dangle beneath.

I presume the diamond flying duck at Tessier's belonged to a shooting man rather than the early Hilda Ogden school of jewellery. One of the special charms of the tie-pin is that the design reflected the wearer's interests in those days when life was lived entirely for pleasure. In the sale of the largest collection of tie-pins at Sotheby's last December there was a gold replica of a real tennis racket - the original game as played by Charles II, esoteric by any standards.

King George V had stickpins made in enamel, rubies and

diamonds fashioned in his monogram, surmounted by a crown. Very tasteful, and so useful for distributing to visiting dignitaries rather like posh beads. Nicholas Harris has an example at £365.

King George was merely following a well established royal tradition. Fabergé, the most flamboyant of court jewellers, had been employed to make presentation tie-pins by Tsar Nicholas II. There is a particularly nice gold, ruby and diamond example which Tsar Nicholas lavished upon the station master at Wolferton, Sandringham.

Animals are the most appealing form of tie-pin. One lot in the Sotheby's sale featured a gold ostrich, a gold and enamel duck and a gold and enamel parrot at an estimated £340-£400.

Tessier's have a perky pig. Even his curly tail is fashioned in rose diamonds, and he is looking for a good home at £265. There is also a very wise owl, circa 1910, with mesmeric cabochon ruby eyes at £300.

Nicholas Harris's collection also boasts a gold owl with diamond eyes, a Great Dane, a gold basket of sapphire flowers and a footballer executing a deft pass with a pearl football.

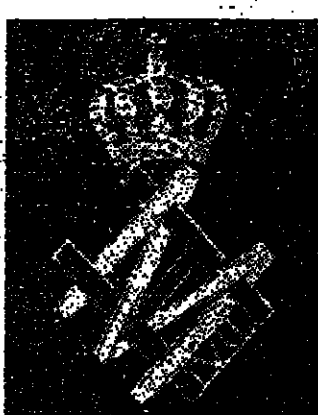
Among the most unusual tie-pins are the intaglios when the design is carved into the back of a cabochon crystal, then painted and backed with mother-of-pearl. This gives a startling three-dimensional effect as if the lion or grouse is about to leap out.

Novelties in the tie-pin field include miniature gold dolls with movable limbs, skeletons, Buddhas and egotist sultans. Examples of the last two are available at S. J. Phillips, the green Buddha is classic art deco, made of glass and with the most elaborate fan head-dress, and diamond necklace; the sultan is multi-coloured and most superior in his diamond feathered turban.

Less arcane examples can be found in any reputable street market from as little as £10. Many copies of the jewellers' designs were made in gilt and any collection of tie-pins would represent, in miniature, the changing fashions in jewellery design over more than 200 years.

Christie's South Kensington, 85 Old Brompton Road, London, SW7 (01-581 7611), expert James Collingridge, Nicholas Harris, 26 Conduit Street, London W1 (01-499 5991), S. J. Phillips, 139 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-499 5991), Sotheby's, 34-35 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-493 8080), expert Alexandra Rhodes, Tessier's, 26 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-629 0458), Paul Longmire, 12 Bury Street, London SW1 (01-830 8720). Further readings: *Antique 20th-century Jewellery* by Vivienne Becker (NAG Press, £15), *Harpins and Tie-pins* by Alexandra M. Rhodes (Antique Collectors Pocket Guide, Lutterworth Press, £1.95).

Huan Mallalieu



King Haakon VII and Queen Mary of Norway presentation stick pin. Late 19th century, £330



Mannequin, 1920, £540 (left), George V and Queen Mary sapphire and diamond presentation pin, £695. All from Longmire



AUCTIONS

FIRE HAZARD: Medieval tally sticks feature in a sale of medieval manuscripts (estimate £2,000 - £3,000). More important and decorative is a 9th-century Carolingian Gospel Book, going back to a grandson of Charlemagne, with an estimate of over £250,000.

Sotheby's, 34-35 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-493 8080). Viewing Mon 9am-4.30pm. Sale Tues, 11am.

CHILDREN KEEP OUT: Toy sales nowadays are serious matters like a clockwork Popeye in a rowing boat, c.1935 (estimate £100-£200), and an Austin J40 Roadster pedal car (£200-£400). These and soldiers and trains too. Wizard Christie's, South Kensington, 85 Old Brompton Road, London SW7 (01-581 7611). Viewing Wed 10am-4.30pm. Thurs 9am-noon. Sale Thurs, 2pm.

Huan Mallalieu

IN THE GARDEN

Brush up the summer with foxy flowers

Perennials are good value in the garden, providing colour and interest for a great part of the summer.

If you want a magnificent display, look to foxgloves. They do well in all gardens except those with gold, wet soils, and like some protection in the spring when the plants are breaking into growth. As their name suggests they have long spikes of flowers which resemble a fox's brush. The foliage is not usually very attractive, so position the plants where the leaves are hidden and only the flowers can be seen.

Pump, healthy tubers should be planted this month and never allowed to dry out. Division of existing clumps can be done now, but they dislike being disturbed so only thin them if really necessary. They do, however, have the habit of growing out of the ground, so much heavily to protect the roots from frost.

Plant new tubers in a sunny position in well drained soil. Lay out the thick fleshy roots so

the crown of the root will be not less than one inch below the surface and place a handful of sand in each hole so there is no free moisture round the root. Add well rotted farmyard manure to the soil and firm the roots down carefully to avoid damage.

The best variety is *Eremurus robustus* which can grow over 7ft tall. Flowers appear in June and July and are deep pink with a yellow tinge.

E. himalaicus is not so vigorous but is a fine plant. It carries white flowers and can reach almost 6ft tall.

E. bungei, which is yellow with golden anthers, flowers in May reaching about 4ft high. The Shetland hybrids come into flower in late May and go on through June into July. These can reach up to 6ft tall, but they come in a range of colours from pink through salmon to primrose, white and gold.

Prices vary, but you should expect to get good plants for about £1.25 to £1.50 each.

Ashley Stephenson



Wood and water: the boathouse on Phillimore lake at Winkworth Arboretum in Surrey

GARDENS TO VISIT

There can be few landscapes in the south-east that match the grandeur of Winkworth Arboretum's 96 acres of woodland and lakes, given to the National Trust in Surrey by their creator, Dr Wilfred Fox.

Rowe's Flashes the nearer of the two lakes to the entrance, is seen at its most exhilarating from the escarpment at the end of a valley of breathtaking beauty.

From here, Phillimore, the second lake, is out of sight, but it is worth seeking out not only

for the adjoining woodland, but also for the boathouse which seems to float like a mirage on the glossy surface of the water.

By the edge of Rowe's Flashes stands that aristocrat of conifers, *Cedrus atlantica* Glauca. Further back, the sides of the valley are studded with autumn colour, the branches of the trees flushed with pinks, mauves and greys as the moody light shifts among them.

A ribbon of magnificent Scots pine, their burnished trunks blurred among the upper foliage, runs beyond the larch plantation just inside the main entrance. These larches are straight-backed beauties, their toes lost among the bracken and their lofty crowns stretching towards the sky.

Michael Young

Winkworth Arboretum is on the B2130 between Godalming and Haslemere, Surrey. Open daily.

QUESTION TIME

I have had some new topsoil delivered which is acidic with a 5.5 pH. My garden has a pH of 7.5. Can I assume by mixing them I would get a mean pH of 6.5? Would my shrubs still be happy and what fertilizers should I use?

By mixing the two soils you will get a difference in pH value but the soil would soon revert to the 7.5pH. Use the soil for specific plants where you want to make the soil more acidic and add acid peat regularly to keep up the acidic level. Shrubs which prefer an alkaline base are not happy on an acid soil but most garden plants will accept a pH of 6.5. Unless you are going to add large quantities of soil there will not be any lasting difference. Do not make any change in fertilizers.

Two years ago I planted a vine cutting which I had taken and last year it produced a fine crop of grapes. This year there was not one. Was this because of the summerless summer or did I prune incorrectly?

Unless the vine is on a north wall or where it gets little sun, the weather is not to blame. The lack of summer sun could have had an effect on ripening but not

on the production of grapes. I can only assume it was your pruning. Vines should be pruned during the winter months when completely dormant. Cut back to the spurs and remove all wood except part of the leaders. As growth progresses, pinch the new growth, two leaves past where the flowers are formed.



We have just bought a house with a badly neglected garden which in spring is covered with celandines. Is there an easy way of getting rid of this weed? Celandines are usually spread by bulbils which are easily detached from the plant. If you

decide to dig them out the soil should be removed as well. Chemical control is acceptable and quite safe. Use the Tumbleweed formulation from Murphy's Chemical Co. Apply when in full leaf foliage, not to get spray drift on to other plants. You can also paint the foliage with Tumbleweed Gel.

I have had a brown ant colony invading against a south-east wall in a cove two feet square and about 16 inches deep for eight years. Although healthy it has never shown any signs of bearing figs. Can you help?

Figs require a restricted root run to induce fruiting and, although your crate-like sounds right, a south-east wall is not ideal for figs. A south face or a south-west facing position is best. Pruning is another possibility but summers are rarely warm enough to ripen figs out of doors.

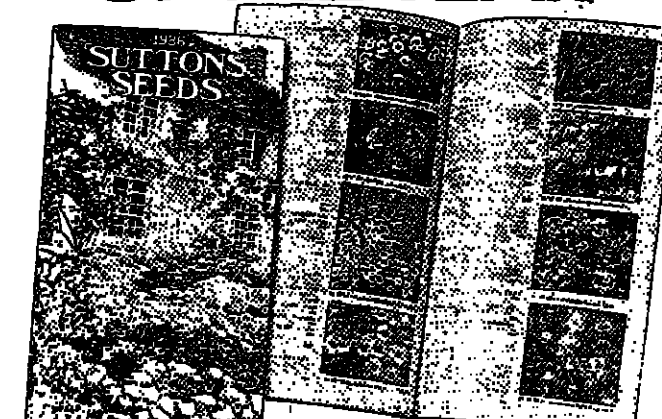
Figs are produced on wood of the previous season so it is important not to cut out new shoots during spring pruning. Thinning is all that is required to allow the sun to get in the branches.

Readers should send their queries to Ashley Stephenson, Saturday Section, The Times, 200 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1.

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You can compost all leaves, except those of the London Plane. These are too leathery to rot down quickly and hold up the composting of the heap. If you can shred these leaves first

it would then be all right to compost them. Digging is best done this month as it allows the weather to work on the soil for the whole winter.

Draw up plans for 1986 and add manure or compost to areas as required. You need only turn over the soil which was manured last year. In well-worked gardens you need not often dig more than one spit deep.

Remember, digging is a back-breaking job so take it slowly: do half an hour at a time and then take a rest. Do not work soil which is too wet for you to walk on. If the soil lifts in great clods wait until it dries out.

A.S.

Winter rose

I can never persuade the Christmas rose to flower at Christmas. I always have to wait until January. If you have the same problem, ask friends if they have a form which flowers on time. The plants are easily divided, so you too could have a form which produces flowers when required. The flowers of the rose, or *Helleborus niger*, are delicate and pure white. But they are perfectly hardy. All they need is a cloche to keep rain and soil off the petals. Leaves should not be allowed to lie on top of the plants, which need good circulation and good light. And keep the ground around well-soaked with slug killers. Slugs can make a mess of a plant in one short night.

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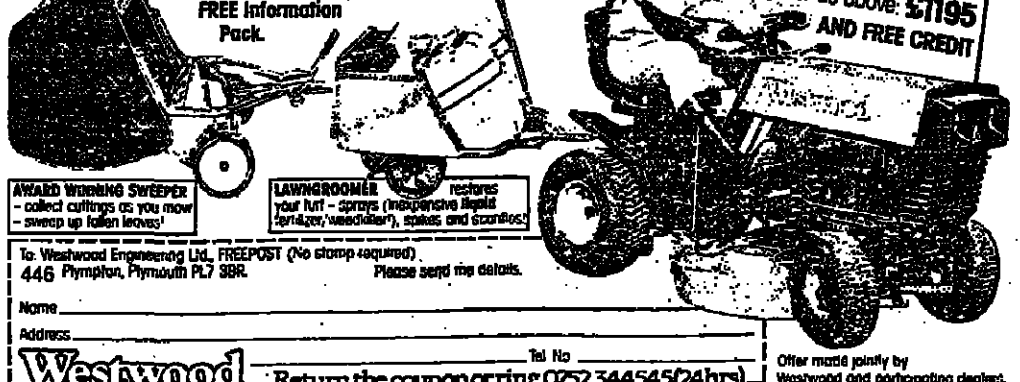
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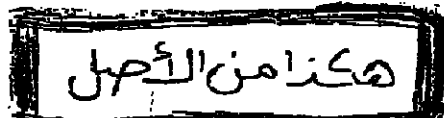
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Paperbacks

Tattoos and taboos of Pacific life

Herman Melville wrote *Typee* as a result of his voyage to the South Seas in a whaler, a journey which was also to inspire *Moby Dick*. It can never challenge the epic of Ahab and the great white whale as one of literature's major achievements; but the reader coming to it cold, without knowing the circumstances of its first publication, might well wonder why it has been relatively disregarded. It is probably no more than a title to most people, who know the later and more famous book as well as they know any classic.

For *Typee* is a splendid piece of sustained descriptive writing, based upon careful observation and sensitive consideration of the Marquesas Islanders, circa 1842. Melville had deserted his whaling ship there and spent some months among the natives before sailing on to Tahiti, Honolulu and eventually home, where he began to write. Though one or two characters in the book are probably invented, and much dialogue surely came out of Melville's head, it is so nearly devoid of plot that it can scarcely be classified as a novel.

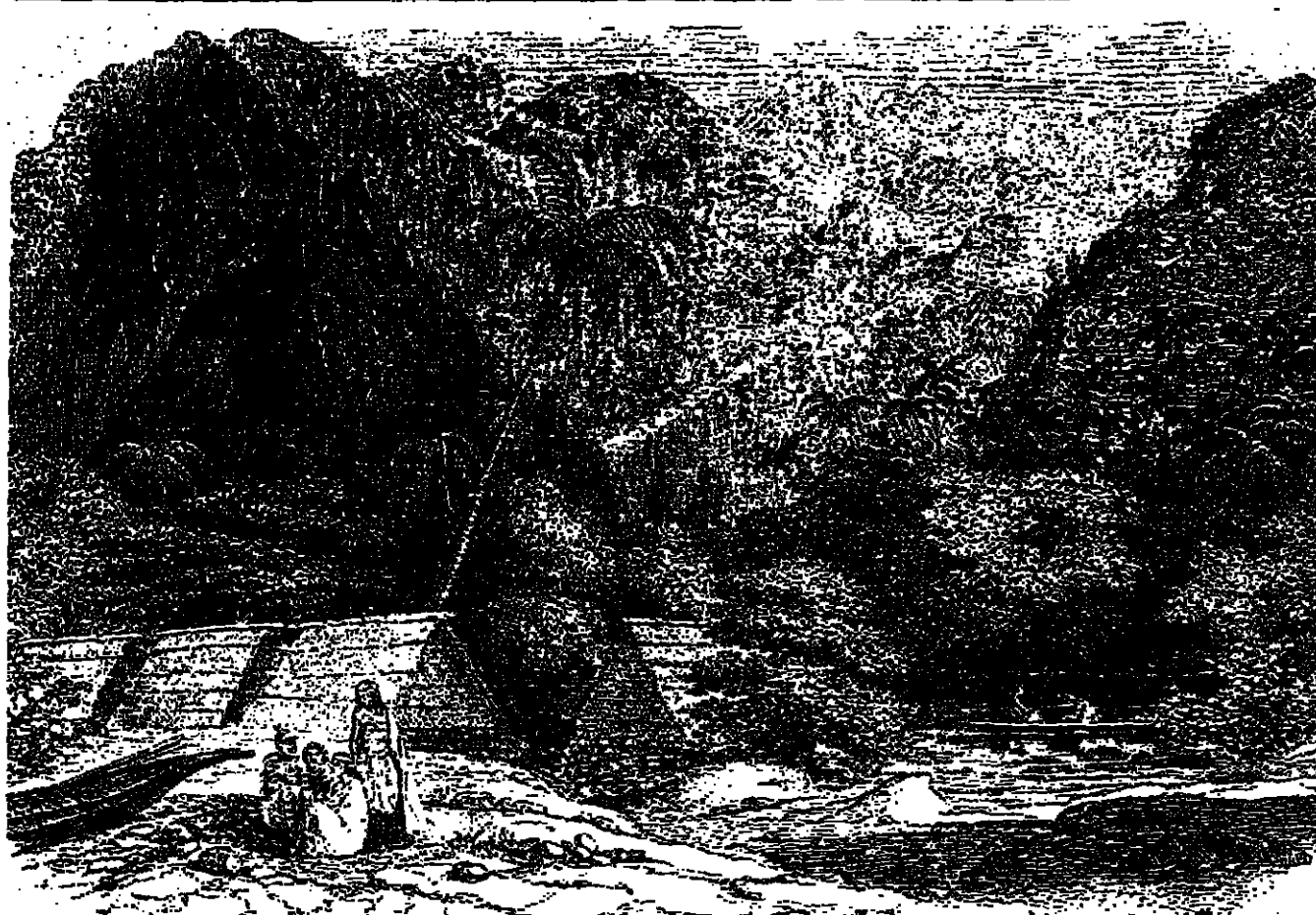
There is an island girl, Fayaway, too faintly drawn to qualify as a heroine, and a chief, Mebevi, too indecisive to stand up as a villain. Mostly the narrator, Taji, is absorbed in the minutiae of

Typee and *Omoo* by Herman Melville (KPI, £5.95 each)
Japan: Madam Chrysanthemum by Pierre Loti (KPI, £7.95)
Home Life in Tokyo by Jyukichi Inoue (KPI, £7.95)

Polyesian life: in the peculiarity of tattooing, in what is and is not taboo, in the food people eat, the dwellings they construct, the idols they worship, and so on. He is occasionally fearful for his safety and after a while begins to think of escape. *Typee* is a kind of fiction and a sort of travel book.

It was wilfully neglected after the hullabaloo of its publication because it offended the missionary lobby in the United States and England. Melville, you see, made the mistake of trying to tell the truth about the islanders. These were reckoned to be cannibals, unregenerate heathens, but he concluded that they were no more than a little odd in some of their habits; certainly none was as unpleasant to him as the Christian whaling captain whose ship he had jumped. At one stage he actually apostrophizes them as "the noble savage", presumably after reading his Dryden. It must have been quite a subversive book when it came out in 1846.

It now reappears because yet another house has decided to Get Into Travel before the boom is over. If you consider the quartet of titles at the head of this piece, you may wonder what they have in common



Polynesian pleasures: Marquesas Islanders (above) impressed Herman Melville (right)

apart from the same sponsor. *Omoo* was Melville's sequel to *Typee*, the story of his time in Tahiti, but what of the Loti and the Inoue, which share a Japanese rather than a Polynesian setting?

The answer is that the four have been chosen to launch a new series called Pacific Basin Books, and I'm afraid the press release that came with them gives the game away. "The emergence of the Pacific Basin as the new focus of international activity and interest

has been the most significant development of recent decades... today more trade crosses the Pacific than the Atlantic, and the Pacific countries and regions cover a third of the world's surface and contain half its population". So that's the reason why we should read Herman Melville and Pierre Loti!

Heaven knows I'm gratified by the number of good travel books, too long neglected, that the present enthusiasm has seen into print again; and here are

another four, praise be. But if the quotation represents the thinking behind the new series it will not be long before Routledge & Kegan Paul, the originators of this lot, start shovelling out the dross; and there's more than enough of that about already. They must be surprised if, by then, those of us who think books a bit different from other commodities in the import-export trade, have had a basinful.

Geoffrey Moorhouse



Not enough meat and too much veg

FICTION

Stars and Bars by William Boyd (Penguin, £2.95)
 Henderson Dore is an Englishman in America. He is kind and agreeably attractive, quite smartly dressed and apparently composed. But something about him isn't up to scratch - he wants to be different from what he is. It is a familiar formula, and William Boyd's style and theme are cosy in their lack of real originality. He likes to knock the American way of life, and is very funny when doing it in detail. When Henderson goes to dinner with an American millionaire the vegetarian food and the company are so revolting that he ends up being sick into an ashtray. It is all pleasantly energetic but sometimes in a rather elderly style, as if nothing much had happened since the golden age of Lucky Jim.

The Diaries of Jane Somers by Doris Lessing (Penguin, £3.95)
 These two novels, *The Diary of a Good Neighbour* and *If the Old Could...* (here combined as *The Diaries of Jane Somers*), were first published under a pseudonym and few people recognized the author's style. Jane Somers is a handsome middle-aged widow with a very good job in magazines. First her husband dies, then her mother, and her world contracts around her. Her life is described as it gradually opens up again, first through friendship with one elderly woman and then through a passionate love affair. It leaves her, at the end, alone but serene, looking around her cool orderly room and welcoming the innumerable pleasures

and consolations of her solitude.
Peeping Tom by Howard Jacobson (Black Swan, £2.95)
 Howard Jacobson is really an entertainer. He is a one-man conversationalist of almost uncontrollable energy and wit. His hero, Barney Fugelman, is a 'Finchley man who finds himself' living in Cornwall, where he takes penitential walks along the cliffs in a sleek-piled fur coat and slip-on sneakers shoes. One day he offers himself to be hypnotized by a visiting lecturer on relaxation and becomes convinced that in a former life he was Thomas Hardy. What promised to be a sexual romp suddenly becomes an elaborate literary allusion - or at least Hardy's life and works are allowed to decorate the sex and the romp. It is dizzily ridiculous and wonderfully funny. Thomas Hardy will never seem the same.

The Tree of Hands by Ruth Rendell (Arrow Books, £1.95)
 Ruth Rendell can pack even the most ordinary domestic scenes with a menace which is powerful mainly because it is understated. A small boy sitting eating scrambled eggs in a Hampshire kitchen has a cold, but he dies of it. A mother comes to stay and behaves much like any other mother, but we know that she once tried to stab her daughter with a carving knife, so she must be meticulously watched and humoured. Little deceptions lead to bigger ones, to a gathering network of lies and deceit and finally to murder. It is cleverly built and smoothly credible. Not a distinguished story, perhaps, but skilful.
 Anne Barnes

My dear Holmes...

Letters to Sherlock Holmes edited by Richard Lancelyn Green (Penguin, £4.95)

I hesitate to disturb your apian retirement at your secret address in Sussex, but I understand that the little creatures are quiescent rather than busy at this time of year. I have to report an occurrence that is as bizarre as it is disturbing.

You remember the young man Lancelotti Green, your faithful chorister, and, as it were, *clandestine*. I regret to have to tell you that he has broken confidence and caused us potential embarrassment, by publishing a selection of the letters that have been sent to you, since your retirement, at our old address of 221B Baker Street.

The first one arrived as long ago as 1890, when a tobaccoist in Philadelphia wrote for a copy of your exhaustive monograph on tobacco ash. Since then they have come as thick as autumn leaves in Vauxhall.

The good Mrs Hudson has retired. And the Abbey National Building Society, the present tenants of our old digs, employ a young woman named Miss Susan Brown to answer the letters on your behalf. Lancelyn Green has chosen, without



authority, to make some of them public. There can be no pecuniary motive, since the Society proposes to donate any royalties to the British Heart Foundation.

But it is indiscreet, and possibly dangerous, since several of the letters report sightings of your old adversary Professor Moriarty, the Napoleon of crime. Can he be as immortal as you say? And what makes the English hang on to such a retiring and doggedly non-literary manny-substitute as you? I think we should be told.

Yours faithfully,
 John H. Watson, MD
 Philip Howard

Sacrifice a princess made for love

The Princess of Siberia by Christine Sutherland (Robin Clark, £4.95)

On the morning of December 14, 1825, in the Senate Square of St Petersburg, 3,000 elite troops drew up beside the huge equestrian statue of Peter the Great. They were there ostensibly to celebrate the installation of the already unpopular new tsar, Nicholas I, but in reality to lead a mutiny against him.

The troops waited for their cue. It did not come. Unknown to them, Lieutenant Colonel Pavel Ivanovich Pestel, the radical strong man of the proposed military coup, had already been arrested and several of the aristocratic young guards officers who supported him lost their nerve and did not show up. The rest organized some haphazard shooting before imperial gunfire put an end to an uprising led by men who were fundamentally ignorant of revolutionary techniques.

Within a few days the 120 Decembrists, as they came to be called, were rounded up, including heavy sentences, including hard labour in Siberia, effectively stamped out the first open revolt against absolutist rule in Tsarist Russia.

Maria Raevsky, the princess of the title, was the 21-year-old wife of Prince Serge Volkonsky.



Rebel officers: Colonel Pestel and fellow Decembrists

ky, Pestel's most distinguished recruit. She was also the great-grand-niece of Catherine the Great's chief adviser, Potemkin.

"Bold heart, bold mind, bold spirit", Catherine had said of Potemkin and Maria certainly seems to have inherited all three characteristics in abundance. Defying her family she followed her husband into exile, covering the 4,000 miles between Moscow and Nerchinsk near the Manchurian border in an astounding 23 days.

For anyone curious about life and prison conditions in 19th-century Russia this is the book to buy. Based on extensive research it bows along at the pace of a good historical novel.

The account of Maria's journey alone is worth the purchase price.

Christine Sutherland, too, has salvaged from near oblivion a gallant episode which, dimmed by the passage of time and the turmoil of subsequent events in both Russia and Europe, was in danger of disappearing from public view. The Decembrists and their wives emerge from these pages as a group of young people who threw away their highly privileged lives for two admirable objectives: the emancipation of the serfs and a reduction in the power of the Tsar.

Although Maria Volkonsky's dramatic life is the main focus

of the book, Mrs Sutherland has included some fascinating background material, such as the report which sprung up during the Napoleonic Wars between Russian army officers and their French counterparts in Napoleon's more democratically structured Grande Armée, a report which directly influenced the future Decembrists. She has also incorporated a brief history of Siberia and the story of its exploration but it would be unfair to reveal any more of this marvellous and adventurous biography.

On the debt side the editors seem to be relying on the writer's clear head and straightforward prose to steer the reader through the maze of three generations of Russian family names. She is a conscientious guide but a family tree for both the Raevskys and the Volkonskys would have been a great help. A more serious omission is a good map of European Russia and Siberia. Lacking this, an atlas at the reader's elbow is an absolute necessity.

But these minor editorial drawbacks should not deter readers from familiarizing themselves with a story which combines beauty and danger, cruelty and stoical courage. It is, quite simply, unforgettable.

Isabel Butterfield

Australian fall-out

NON FICTION

Fields of Thunder: Testing Britain's Bomb by David Blakeway and Sue Lloyd-Roberts (Unwin Paperbacks, £3.95)

Published to coincide with the Australian government's Royal Commission on Britain's nuclear bomb tests in Australia and the Pacific, this is a well-balanced account of the prodigious speed at which the tests were organized and carried out 30 years ago. Successive British governments have denied that those involved were put to any risk from radioactive poisoning. All demands for redress have been refused. The Australian Royal Commission and the authors have produced much evidence which seems to show that the whole affair was something of a lullaby and that precautions against radiation were not always rigidly applied.

Bismarck by A. J. P. Taylor (Hamish Hamilton, £4.95)
 This book was well received when first published in 1955 as the best available biography of Prince Otto von Bismarck in English. A. J. P. Taylor, the expert on Bismarck, contrasts the greatest master of diplo-



Cloud over HMS Narvik: Britain's A-bomb test

macy in modern history and architect of the German empire with his private life of chaotic litter, bric-a-brac and boredom; his love of his family, food, wine and Havana cigars; his long, friendless and inactive absences in the country, coupled with periods of intense work and a tendency to burst into hysterical tears, to break things and hurl china. His extraordinary lifelong but selfish devotion to William I of Prussia, the first German Emperor, and his hatred of his enemies remained with him always.

Conran Goulden

THE WEEK AHEAD

ROCK & JAZZ

MADNESS: The nutty professors continue to mature. Tonight and tomorrow, Hammersmith Odeon, Queen Caroline Street, London W6 (01-748 4081).

EVERLY BROTHERS: Those Kentucky harmonies are as sweet and sad as ever. Tomorrow, International Centre, Bournemouth (0202 297297); Mon and Tues, Hammersmith Odeon, Queen Caroline Street, London W6 (01-748 4081); Thurs, Birmingham Odeon (021 643 6101) Fri, De Montfort Hall, Leicester (0533 544444).

HOWARD RILEY: Working at the outer limits of the jazz universe, this gifted British pianist presents himself in a trio with Jeff Clyne (bass) and Tony Levin (drums), and in a quartet with Barry Guy (bass) and John Stevens (drums). Thurs, Band on the Wall, Manchester (061 832 6625).

ANTHONY BRAXTON: Intricate, demanding compositions performed by a quartet of virtuosi who keep one foot in the jazz club while peering through the academy door. Not for the unadventurous. Tomorrow, Theatre, Leeds (0532 480433); Mon, Huddersfield Polytechnic (0484 22133 ext 665); Tues, Warwick University Arts Centre (0203 417417).

ROBERT CRAY BAND: Brisk, authoritative rhythm 'n' blues. Tomorrow, Tiffany's, Exeter (0392 571611); Mon, Mean Fiddler, 28a Harlequin High Street, London NW10 (01-861 5490).

HAROLD BECKETT: Jamie Talbot, the splendid young saxophonist, is a member of the Barbican trumpet's quintet. 35 Coronet Street, London N1 (01-729 2476).

CHET BAKER: A bona fide jazz legend, whose trumpet achieved recognition as part of the Gerry Mulligan Quartet's indelible recording of "My Funny Valentine" 30 years ago. Mon to Sat, Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Firth Street, London W1 (01-439 0747).



HUGH MASEKELA: More trumpet from the South African émigré (above) who played jazz and soul music in the United States before blending them with the sounds of the townships. Mon to Thurs, Dingwalls, Camden Lock, Chalk Farm Road, London NW1 (01-267 4967).

CLIFF RICHARD: Pop's principled boy. Wed - Nov 30, Brighton Centre (0273 202891).

SILOUSIE & THE BANSHIES: Gothic punks choose respectability. Thurs, Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (01-589 8212).

CHARLIE WATTS ORCHESTRA: The Rolling Stones' drummer is having a whole of a time at the helm of his own 25-piece orchestra. "Slyline", "Moonlight" and "Flamingo" are among the big-band standards refurbished by his arranger and conductor, Alan Cohen. Tomorrow's concert is a benefit for the South London Community Music Project. Thurs, Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Firth Street, London W1 (01-439 0747); tomorrow, Albany Empire, Douglas Way, London SE8 (01-891 3333).

JIMMY DEUCHAR: Younger jazz fans will be unlikely to remember the Scottish trumpet's work in

Tubby Hayes's memorable quintet of the early 1950s. His playing with Charlie Watts this week, though, has proved that the flame is undimmed. Now he returns to appear at his home town's new jazz club as a guest with the sextet of Bobby Wishart. Wed, Tay Jazz Club, Dundee (0382 21641).

TERJE RYDAL: Miles Davis should have talent-scouted this brilliant Norwegian guitarist years ago. Undimmed by that oversight, Rydal continues to churn out consistently intriguing albums. Fri, Queen's Hall, Edinburgh (031 668 2177).

OPERA

ROYAL OPERA: Covent Garden's industrial dispute is over and the performance schedule continues with John Mauceri conducting a revival of Puccini's *La fanciulla del West* on Mon and Wed at 7.30pm. Alain Fondary makes his company debut as Jack Rance, the role originally cast for the late Guillermo Sarrailh, with Mara Zampieri. Scheduled performances of Handel's *Semele* on Tues and Fri have been cancelled. Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-240 1066).

ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA: Janáček's *Katya Kabanova*, tonight and Thurs (7.30pm), restaged by David Pountney and conducted by Simon Rattle, should be pretty strong stuff with Eileen Hannan in the title role. On Tues and Fri at 7pm, Gounod's *Faust*, a thought-provoking production by Ian Judge, with Arthur Davies in the title role and Noel Davies conducting. The Gerald Scarle-designed Offenbach *Orpheus* in the *Underworld* continues its successful run on Wed and Nov 30 (7.30pm) with Terry Jenkins and Lillian Watson as Orpheus and Eurydice. Peter Robinson conducts. Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-838 3181).

WELSH NATIONAL OPERA: At Plymouth with the new Lucian Pittile production of *Cost fan tu tu*, muted and quite conventional in its staging if not in its somewhat coarse musical direction; Thurs at 7.15. *Madam Butterfly* (Tues and

Nov 30 at 7.15pm) with Rosamund Lilling and David Rendall; and a more controversial Pintilie production, *Ripolito* (Wed and Fri, 7.15pm), with Edward Turnaglin in the title role. Theatre Royal, Plymouth (0752 669595).

OPERA 80: Two strong and complementary productions tour Britain this winter: a dark, violent, 1980s-style *Don Giovanni* (Mon and Nov 30), and a deft, timeless *Rake's Progress* (Thurs), both with lively young casts, but stronger dramatically than musically. All performances are in English and start at 7.30pm. Coronation Hall, Ulverston, Cumbria (0229 52299).

KING'S COLLEGE OPERA: Mozart's early opera buffa, *La finta giardiniera* is sung in English on Thurs and Fri at 7.30pm. Tickets from The Treasurer, King's College

Opera, or at the door. King's College, New Theatre, Strand, London WC2.

RAMEAU AT THE ACADEMY: The Royal Academy of Music continues its run of Rameau's *Les Boréades* this week on Mon and Tues at 7pm. A limited number of tickets are available from the general office, Royal Academy of Music, Jack Lyons Theatre, Royal Academy of Music, Marylebone Road, London NW1 (01-835 5451).

SCOTTISH OPERA: A choice of four Edinburgh shows. Best of all is Jonathan Miller's *Magic Flute* on Tues only. On Wed and Nov 30, Offenbach's *La Vie Parisienne* in a new English translation; on Thurs Handel's *Orlando*, and on Fri Weber's *Oberon*. All performances start at 7.15pm. King's Theatre, Edinburgh (031 229 1201).



Strong feelings: Eileen Hannan sings the title role in Janáček's *Katya Kabanova* with the English National Opera

SCOTTISH OPERA-GO-ROUND: This enterprising company, which takes opera to those parts which other groups cannot reach, brings Tosca to Helensburgh, Strathclyde (Victoria Hall) tonight at 7.45pm; then *Sir John*, Seilburg and Stranraer. Booking information from 041 931 1234.

DANCE

LONDON FESTIVAL BALLET: A double offering this week, simultaneously in London and on tour. The big company is in Bristol with the new productions of *La Bayadère* and *Aurore* today and *Coppelia* from Mon with casts including the Royal Danish Ballet's leading man, Arne Villumsen (Tues, Wed) as guest star. Meanwhile, a hand-picked smaller group headed by Peter Schaufuss comes to Sadler's Wells (Mon-Nov 30) under the title LFB2 with two programmes including a new ballet by Nils Christie (Mon, Wed, Thurs) and Paul Taylor's *Aurore* (Tues, Fri), together with works by Balanchine, Béjart, Bourmoulin, Bruce and others. Should be good. Bristol Hippodrome (0272 299191) today and Mon-Nov 30.

DANCE UMBRELLA: Now at Riverside Studios, for nine days only. The high-powered American Karole Aramoff performs tonight, and tomorrow is a regional day with companies from Cardiff, Newcastle in three different shows (6.30pm, 7.30pm, 9.30pm) preceded by an open forum at 2pm. Collaboration and "performance art" are featured Tues, Wed, and a project by American choreographer Kade Duck with British dancers. Thurs-Nov 30, plus The Koch, acrobatic dancers. Fri and Nov 30, Riverside Studios (01-748 3354).

BALLET RAMBERT: A new work by dancer Mary Evelyn to music by Lutoslawski, *Drinking Wings*, is premiered at the Theatre Royal, Glasgow, Tues and Wed. Other recent works by Richard Alston, Christopher Bruce, Robert North and Dan Wagoner, together with a revival of Tetley's *Pierrot Lunaire*, make up the mixed bill at Oxford today and Glasgow, Tues-Nov 30. Oxford, Apollo (0865 244544); Glasgow, Theatre Royal (041 331 1234).



ROYAL BALLET: On Thurs, a new production by Peter Wright of Giselle starring Lesley Collier (pictured above in rehearsal) and Stephen Jeffers. Tonight, *The Sleeping Beauty*. Covent Garden (01-240 1066).

SADLER'S WELLS ROYAL BALLET: *The Sleeping Beauty* is the programme all week (Mon-Nov 30) for a visit to the Empire, Sunderland (0783 42517).

JANET SMITH: All this season's new works by Janet Smith, Gill Clark and Dan Wagoner are on the bill (Thurs-Nov 30) at Bognor Regis Centre (0243 865551).

CONCERTS

LATE ROMANTICS: Besides Robert Tear singing *Lieder* by Schubert, Brahms and Zemlinsky, the Nash Ensemble's "Late Romantics" concert includes

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 Rock & Jazz: Richard Williams
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Mozart's Piano Quartet K 452 and Schoenberg's *Verklärte Nacht*. Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore Street, London W1 (01-935 2141). Today, 7.15pm.

ANNE QUEFFLELEC: As the notable series of French concerts at St. John's nears its end, the pianist Anne Quefflelec plays *Préludes* and *Images* by Debussy, Ravel's *Miroirs* and Gaspard de la Nuit. St. John's, Smith Square, London SW1 (01-222 1061). Today, 7.30pm.

TALLIS CELEBRATION: The 400th anniversary of the death of Thomas Tallis, father of English church music, is being marked by a concert in the church where he was the organist, performed by the Thomas Tallis Society.

St. Alage's Church, Greenwich (01-858 7755). Tomorrow, 8pm. **MOMENTS IN TIME:** Graham Williams's *Moments in Time* is the novelty in Yolande Wingle's piano recital, which additionally offers Beethoven's *Sonata Op 27 No 1*. Wigmore Hall, Mon, 7.30pm.

LONDON SYMPHONY: Vaughan Williams's "London" Symphony is heard from the RPO under Andre Previn, who prefaces it with Ravel's *Alborada del Gracioso* and Rachmaninov's *Piano Concerto No 2* (soloist, Cécile Dusserre). Festival Hall, Tues, 7.30pm.

IVO POGORELICH: In between accounts of Mendelssohn's *Hebrides Overture* and Mozart's *Symphony in G minor K 550* by the ECO under Andrew Litton, Ivo Pogorelich solos in Chopin's *Piano Concerto No 2*.

Barbican Centre, Silk Street, London EC2 (01-628 8795, credit cards 01-638 8891). Wed, 7.45pm.

WAR REQUIEM: Benjamin Britten's *War Requiem* is interpreted by the LSO, London Symphony Chorus and soloists under Richard Hickox. Westminster Cathedral, Victoria Street, London SW1 (01-340 8321). Wed, 8pm.

SCOTTISH SCRIBBIN: Scriabin's *Symphony No 2* is performed by the Scottish National Orchestra under Neeme Järvi; as is Sibelius's *Karelia Suite*, and Piano Donchoe solos in Grieg's *Piano Concerto*. Usher Hall, Lothian Road, Edinburgh (031 228 1155). Fri, 7.30pm.

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Power behind the camera of conscience

FILMS ON TV

Francesco Rosi has become a one-man conscience of post-war Italy, bringing to the cinema the techniques of investigative journalism to explore such themes as corruption in politics and big business, organized crime and the activities of the Red Brigades.

The Mattei Affair, which has its first British television showing today (BBC2, 10.55pm-12.30am) is a characteristic Rosi film, both in subject and in treatment. Made in 1972, it is based on the story of Enrico Mattei, president of the Italian state oil company, who met a mysterious death in a plane crash in the early 1960s.

Mattei's manipulation of oil politics made him a target of both the American CIA and the Mafia; and Rosi's film is an attempt to unravel the web of intrigue and suggest why Mattei met his premature end. It is a cross between



Concern: Francesco Rosi



Charisma: Gian Maria Volonté in The Mattei Affair

foreign star. Rosi's 1973 film *La Strada*, which is showing on December 14, Glenn Miller numbers herald the Mafia's return to Italy by way of the American army of liberation and the film is both a gangster story and the tragedy of the Sicilian drug racket.

The season ends on December 31 with *Three Brothers*, made in 1980 and representing something of a departure for Rosi in that he abandoned documentary realism to embrace the world of dreams and

concentrated on a family rather than the wider political and commercial context. He did not, however, abandon his social concern. The brothers are summoned to their native village for their mother's funeral. One is a teacher in a Neapolitan boarding school, another is a magistrate dealing with terror, the third is a rebellious factory worker. For all three the reunion stirs nightmares and fantasies which reflect their personal relationships as well as their roles in society.

Rosi spent the Second World War in hiding from the Fascists

Rosi imported another

he marries have against poverty and unemployment (Channel 4, tomorrow, 10.25pm-12.20am).

An Ideal Husband (1947): Lavish Alexander Korda version of the play by Oscar Wilde in which the

decor and Cecil Beaton's costumes share star billing with a cast headed by Paulette Goddard, Hugh Williams and Michael Wilding (Channel 4, Thurs, 2.30-4.15pm).

Variety Jubilee (1943): A lightweight story of the British

music hall which provides a showcase for some of its most illustrious performers, including

George Robey, Ella Retford and Charles Crompton (Channel 4, Thurs, 5-5.25pm).

"Orchestra Rehearsal" (1978):

Federico Fellini using a musician's

rebellion against his tyrannical

conductor as a fable on freedom

and authoritarianism (Channel 4, Fri, 11.15pm-12.35am).

* First British television showing.

Michael Wilding and Paulette

Goddard in An Ideal Husband

Thrills from the chills of the Arctic

TELEVISION

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Courageous cameraman: Hugh Miles, who spent months in the Arctic filming Kingdom of the Ice Bear

his concert appearances. This year's Malvern Festival, traditionally the artistic home of Shaw and Elgar, gave Tippett pride of place, and television cameras were there. The result Tippett appears in several roles, signing autographs for young admirers, as a talking

conductor, demonstrating his unusual stick technique and not slow to castigate musicians who get out of line. The programme offers a detailed insight into a formidable character.

There are an awful lot of

statistics in Brazil, Brazil (BBC2, Thurs, 7.30-8.10)

but such is British ignorance of the country that an idiot's guide is

probably justified. According to

BBC Audience Research, only 12

per cent of us know the main language is Portuguese. The first

of four films is called *God, Football and Carnival*.

Carroll Baker, the cinema's

Baby Doll, is the latest recruit to the Star Quality series of

dramatized stories by Noel Coward (BBC1, tomorrow, 7.45-

8.45pm). It is a mixture of new

material, with Robert de Niro and Dustin Hoffman among the

buffs, and old favourites.

Dennis Norden

THE ARTS

Long Distance Form: This is Your Life

Just one of the success stories

If almost every Briton keeps for emergencies, a mental list of favourite records, too many to list, in the moments, imagined a large red book half-hidden beneath the overcoat of the stranger moving purposefully through the crowd: "And tonight... This is your life."

This is *Your Life* began in 1953 with the BBC's transfer to Thames Television in 1969 and, last Wednesday, reached the fifth programme in its seventeenth Thames series with the usual 24-minute flick through events and friends in the life of "millionaire business tycoon" Richard Branson.

The programme's durability and rock-like constancy of format provide ample fuel for detractors. Gentle, affectionate, acceptable, *This is your Your Life* admits no scandal or malice; its brief biographies are not profiles but panegyrics: "You often been a bit of a rascal, Ricky, but we love you!" Its attentions are a form of taxidermy, leaving the subjects smug and stuffed, exhibit in a hall of fame.

The famous, unchanged format which has survived for 32 years was seen at work in Wednesday's programme. The show opened with Eamonn Andrews on a barge, dressed as Long John Silver. Interestingly, in a medium obsessed with pre-selling (later in the show, "Wednesday's guests will be..."), *This is Your Life* trades on the frisson of ignorance. With no advance billing of the night's life, Andrews plays guess the guest, confiding at last that it is Richard Branson.

The second central shibboleth is that Branson does not know. Surprised on his houseboat by a smiling Irishman with a parrot on his shoulder and a red book in his hand, Branson squeals an expletive (bleeped on transmission). And so to the studio, where the guest is assured, his family and many of his friends await him.

The guest's friends are as important to the show's success as the guest himself. Branson's record business is an excuse to introduce Phil Collins, China Crisis, Madness and two other pop stars. They are required merely to appear, smile at Branson (hugs and kisses

optional but encouraged) and be cheered for it. Next, Andrews introduces "the lady in your life and mother of your two children".

The first substantial fact revealed is that the subject weighed 11 pounds at birth. A voice wafts from offstage: "And you've been larger than life ever since, Ricky." Enter the subject's mum to hug him. And so on, until the climactic arrival of Branson's 87-year-old ballroom-dancing grandmother with his two tiny children. Roll titles and emotion.

It is idiotically simple, executed with professionalism, popular in the extreme (though past its ratings-topping days) and able to claim that 32 years of success is sufficient defence against parody like this. I wonder, however, how much longer it can survive.

This is Your Life employs the only style of television profile which enquires into lives in less depth than the chat show. The parade of faces ("The foreman you haven't seen for 19 years", "She's down in from Los Angeles specially!") seems increasingly to mask a fear that



Eamonn Andrews: Surprise, surprise

the subject cannot hold a show on his or her own. The problem is, perhaps, that the title *This is Your Life* hints at more than it delivers.

Mark Lawson

Last night's television

Adultery (Channel 4) is a new series on an old subject; the question then becomes, what to do with it? How do you elicit new notes from the familiar triangle which, to mix metaphors, is all too often a wet blanket?

This particular series has not avoided the risk of labouring the obvious, however, by intending to follow two dramas with a documentary and then a discussion - the dramas are acceptable, the discussion too horrid to contemplate. *TV Times* has helpfully printed a questionnaire: "Would you commit adultery?" the significance of which is unclear.

Last night's drama, the first episode of this *Adultery* extravaganza, was itself rather disappointing; its heart was in the right place, as hearts usually are, but its style was of that slightly timeless and unstructured variety exemplified by such programmes as *Tales of the Unexpected*.

The plot was concerned with a middle-aged man who works

as an economist while the sun is above the horizon, and spends the evening hours dressed as a cowboy and composing Country and Western songs. It was, in other words, an account of ordinary middle-class life, rendered all the more painfully familiar by the droll husband's sudden realization that he is growing old and dull. Hence the dash for that illusory freedom represented by the title of the series.

But the drama was not particularly invigorating, largely because it was unable to rise above its rather disappointing material; however good the actors were (and they were good).

And so once again the old triangle emerged untouched by human hand: the jealous wife, the irritating husband and the attractive "other woman". A better questionnaire for the *TV Times* might be on the lines of "Would you watch this programme?"

Peter Ackroyd

An operatic creation

Verdi's Messiah
Municipal Hall,
Pontypridd

Ask the smaller communities of Wales what the touring arm of the WNO should bring to their halls and schools, and the answer could well come back: "Aida, preferably with elephants and sung in Welsh". Well, the Welsh National Opera have toured a stripped-down version of *Aida* and have devised evenings based on the lives of Puccini and Tchaikovsky. Now it is Verdi's turn.

Verdi's Messiah though is quite unlike anything else sponsored by the WNO. For a start it is a new play by Julian Mitchell - and a very far cry from *Another Country*. Mr Mitchell came to the WNO to write about the workings of an opera company and stayed to create a drama about the making of an opera. The piece in question is *Otello* (by accident or design it enters the main WNO repertoire next year), which brought in Bolto as Verdi's librettist. After Mozart and Salieri come Verdi and Bolto.

Mitchell deals with the years after *Aida*. What caused Verdi's creative blockage? The *Stolz* affair... the composer's natural fear of following masterpieces with a flop? Strepponi his wife, Ricordi his publisher and Faccio his conductor conspire to hook Bolto, and Verdi is talked into *Otello*.

So much for the first part, crisply and wittily written, respectful of history apart from a few liberties taken with Bolto. The second half, centering on the actual composition of *Otello*, cannot maintain the momentum and Bolto in particular, that speedy butterfly, escapes Mitchell's usually sure net.

A company of admirable actors, mostly with one-time RSC connections, work under the direction of the RSC's Howard Davies, together with a quartet of singers. They sit in a deserted theatre with the red plush seats heaped at the back of the stage. For obscure reasons the costumes suggest the 1920s, although the years covered by the drama, 1871 to 1887, allow no alteration.

Richard Griffiths, comfortably plump, is not exactly a Verdi look-alike, so he rightly emphasises the bear-like charac-

ter the composer invented or himself: gruff, truculent and ultimately cuddly. Zoe Wamaker's Strepponi is movingly resigned. Malcolm Storry's Ricordi a sharp manipulator. The star is Ian Charleson's Bolto, a mercurial characterization of a man, part pessimist and part prima donna, who was destined ever to be the outsider in Italy.

Mr Charleson, trained in *Gays and Dolls*, sings too in a light tenor. A pity Mitchell did not allow him "Dai campi, dai prati" from Bolto's *Meisfiole*, but maybe that aria sounds too much like a couple of inhabitants of Pontypridd. The most accomplished of the quartet of singers is the soprano Christine Eare, who in Lady Macbeth's sleep-walking scene shows the theatre taking over from operatic set piece.

The combination of action and aria was much to the liking of Pontypridd. The last performance of the run is at Cardigan today. Thereafter *Verdi's Messiah* should not be allowed to die, although it could use another title. Town halls and theatres for that matter can do without elephants.

John Higgins



Ian Charleson's Mercurial Bolto

The First Sunday in
Every Month
Nuffield, Southampton

In a "rest home" for the "elderly" somewhere in Surrey, an old man, sound of mind but dodgy on his pins, awaits the ritual visit of his snooty daughter and her obtuse husband.

None of them looks forward to this monthly observance, but the old man has the candour to say so. He is similarly candid in his relations with his favourite nurse, with the weekly cleaner and with his best friend, a hale old fellow, frightened of losing his marbles; together, they play chess, entertain Staling-type fantasies of escape and strive to remember the name of the eleventh member of the Middlesex county cricket team of 1947.

Bob Larbey's first stage play, meticulously directed by Justin Greene, is a gentle, well-crafted

piece of pap which uses regularly spaced and pretty glib one-liners to divert us from the perception that nothing much is happening.

I should declare that I have never found Mr Larbey's television work (*Get Some In*, *The Good Life*, *A Fine Romance*, etc.) anything but mildly depressing, the Sanatogen of situation comedy and it seems little cause for rejoicing that he has managed to reproduce his workmanlike style for the theatre.

The chief objection to this form of drama is that the entire proceedings are arranged so as to reflect well on the central character - kindly, unpretentious and infinitely humorous - and to no other end.

George Cole is indeed highly adept at playing this kind of role, but his brave drolleries about the childishness of encroaching senility, with its threat of incontinence, amnesia and plain silliness, are

neither winning nor particularly funny.

Siobhan Redmond is more than watchable as the 'brisk, sympathetic nurse whose boyfriend reads works on *The Times*, and Geoffrey Bayldon achieves poignancy as the old cricket buff whose memory is turning to cotton wool, but none of this can relieve the emptiness of the endeavour.

Martin Cropper

Ourselves Alone
Royal Court, Upstairs

The emotional content of political commitment becomes more nakedly obvious the closer one approaches the extremes of the spectrum: the grass-roots fascist yearning for the firm hand he himself will never possess; the "revolutionary" terrorist fueling his callousness with sentimentality. And women, Anne Devlin's

new play incidentally informs us, are quite as susceptible as men.

In a Provisional IRA household in Andersonstown, Belfast, we find a contrasting pair of sisters: Josie, the fiery veteran of 16 years on the barricades who lives and breathes the Republican cause, and Frieda, the flip hairdresser who entertains grossly misplaced ambitions in the field of pop music and who has been seen consorting with members of the taboo Workers' Party.

Thrown out by their intemperate, headline-IRA father for her (pretty sane) defiance, Frieda shacks up with a satyr-mantic political journalist.

Josie, meanwhile, is awarded the crucial task of vetting an English volunteer trying to make contact with the Chief of Staff with whom she formerly had a passionate and long-lasting affair. The newcomer has disturbingly close links with the British military establishment which he explains away as

family ties, and ends the interview by convincing Josie of his emotional and ideological attachment to Republicanism and revolution generally.

That he fails to convince us, the observers of this awkward confrontation, is more the fault of a script which seems to be going in several different directions at once than of Brid Brennan's and Peter Chelsum's playing, which is exemplary.

The pauses in Simon Curtis's rather mannered production grow ever more pregnant - and so does Josie after a passionate, short-lasting affair with the new recruit, who... but that would be telling. Two performances raise this show above the ordinary: Adrian Dunbar (who also doubles as the journalist) plays the Chief of Staff as a kind of effaced reptile, and Hilary Reynolds is a real find as the sardonic, tarty and at times tearful Frieda.

Martin Cropper

Radio

Listeners' views that turn the air blue

Did you know that high on the list of BBC Radio's most vitriolic correspondents is the audience for Radio 4?

Not the mindless addictees, tearaways who, in the imagination of some of us, make up the listeners to Radio 1; not the dawn-to-dusk and back to dawn again sweet music-lovers who patronise Radio 2 and might be expected to turn nasty at the sound of anything else; not the minority of acerbic intellectuals whose sole fare is Radio 3.

No, it is the honest, reasonable citizens who give their allegiance to the Son of the Home Service whose correspondence, I am told, is quite often absolutely unbroadcastable on

the network: they are 'said to love and cherish. And they do not hide behind anonymity or pseudonyms, but sign themselves like people confident that right is on their side.

You may have got a hint of this if you heard the first edition of the latest *Feedback* (Radio 4, November 15, and Sunday). This included excerpts from an event at the ICA mounted jointly by the Radio Academy and Mrs Jocelyn Hay's organ: a platform for the expression of audience opinion, *The Voice of the Listener*.

It brought together broadcasters and listeners so that the latter could tell the former what

they thought of them and get some answers. In the course of it Patrice Caldwell - of *You and Yours* and other fame - was heard to say plaintively that the early days of her appearance on radio were disfigured by a number of profoundly venomous letters, most of them from addresses well south of the Wash - the burden of which was that her Northern origins and above all that she and they ought, to say no worse, to be suppressed. This went on until she raised the matter on the air and it was only then that other less vituperative listeners assured her she had a few friends.

Now I must admit that I do not find Ms Caldwell's voice to fall like music on the ear. But so what? She is a competent, intelligent broadcaster, and her accent is actually in its many variants a great deal more representative than standard BBC. So what this experience suggests is that to a section of the Radio 4 audience, or at least to a vocal and assertive part of it, life has hardly changed since that traumatic day back in the 1940's when Wilfred Pickles was put on to read the news. Is that really how things still stand?

Listening to the other contri-

butions to that ICA meeting as presented by *Feedback* it struck me - and I have heard and read much else to confirm this - that stand that way they do. Commonly people who claim to be listeners, and express dissatisfaction with what they hear, do so on the strength of some very strange notions. What for example is the basis of the complaint heard on *Feedback* that radio broadcasts far too much sport? Or what are we to think of the man who demands that as his personal opinion, but as a matter beyond argument - that all music, not just *Baker's Dozen*, but anything that is not speech, should be banished from Radio 4?

I do not know whether these speakers hailed from the Radio Academy or *The Voice of the Listener*, and it may be that they did not represent the level of discussion on that occasion. But they did represent only too accurately the level of, not discussion, but unfounded assertion that those who are motivated to criticize bring far too often to their remarks.

In my view, far from doing good, this creates a situation prejudicial to good broadcasting. Radio needs both the stimulus and the constraint of candid, informed and well-informed criticism. Where, however, programmes or other channels set up to transmit it attract too high a proportion of the ill-informed, the obsessive, the vilifiers and so forth, this throws the whole activity into disrepute and is in the end likely to render the broadcasters contemptuous and dismissive of a necessary and potentially valuable interchange.

In view of the above it seems to me very likely that a large part of the Radio 4 audience will have absolutely hated Ray Costling's shrewd and observant *The Arsenal* and *Reverend* (Wednesday; producer Alastair Wilson), since Mr Costling's views on modern Spain were delivered in his customary plangent Midland.

Brian Wright also is delivering his *More Penge Papers* (Radio 3, Tuesdays; producer Matthew Walters) in something other than pure Southern, but perhaps the Radio 3 place will save him from excessive wrath. He is maintaining the deadpan comic tradition of last autumn's original *Penge Paper*, but there is just one thing - I do believe that last week I heard him use the word "disinterested" where "uninterested" was actually what he meant. And this on Radio 3! So, if you will forgive me, I will sign off here and begin a letter of calculated insult and intemperance: "Dear Mr Wright..."

David Wade

Concert

A double bonus

Philharmonia/
Giulini
Festival Hall/Radio 3

The real marvel of Carlo Maria Giulini's performance on Thursday was that London has not seen him and Salvatore Accardo together on the same platform before. Their partnership is comparatively recent, but they go together like pesto and pasta, and Beethoven's Violin Concerto was an ideal medium to demonstrate it.

Accardo has always been a partisan performance, taming the work's conflicts to point its conciliation, and minutely

conscious in the revelation of its design. Giulini accepts this: or is it that Accardo is all too happy to submit to Giulini's characteristic love of honing, streamlining, coaxing the finest graining of speed and dynamic?

Difficult to say in this kind of twinning. But Giulini certainly provided exactly the stillness and space that draws the most rarified placing of scale, trill and harmonic modulation from Accardo, whether in the Allegro's development or in the Larghetto's exquisitely balanced pizzicato variation. As a performance which worked through accord rather than stimulus, it stood as a monu-

ment to be admired rather than a force to be reckoned with.

Very much the same could be said of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony under Giulini. This was the grande luxe version: motives brushed into a velvety line, demarcatory chords and cadences rich and resonant, with the Philharmonia in its most plush, homogeneous form.

The odd, split-seconds of anticipation and flutters of edgy ensemble were telling. For the dizzying momentum of the first movement seemed to be built up, in spite of Beethoven's hammer motives rather than because of them. And, for all its excitement, the surging vitality of Giulini's broad line of action

did at times sweep away the detail which would have given the edge to its own dynamic.

With its graciously bowed upbeats and warm viola and cello timbres, the Andante was as winsome as the tip-toeing bars of exit from the third movement. But here, in his deliberate working of rhythmic nerve, Giulini had to be content with affirmation. What he sacrificed was the full force of the work's greatest coup: the point at which end and beginning are slammed together in one long crescendo of regeneration.

Hilary Finch

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ELECTRICALS						
1. MK Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
2. Rascal Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
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8. Farnell Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
9. Auto Sec	1985	100	0	10	10	10
10. Ferranti	1985	100	0	10	10	10
INDUSTRIALS A-D						
11. Bodyside	1985	100	0	10	10	10
12. Colson (A)	1985	100	0	10	10	10
13. Blount - Pers	1985	100	0	10	10	10
14. DPC	1985	100	0	10	10	10
15. Brook & Burrell	1985	100	0	10	10	10
16. Chas. H. & Co.	1985	100	0	10	10	10
17. Asse. Hou	1985	100	0	10	10	10
18. Bechtel	1985	100	0	10	10	10
19. Beal	1985	100	0	10	10	10
DRAPERY AND STORES						
20. Home Charm	1985	100	0	10	10	10
21. Executive Cloth	1985	100	0	10	10	10
22. Brims (James) A	1985	100	0	10	10	10
23. W. W. Group	1985	100	0	10	10	10
24. Card (A) & Sons	1985	100	0	10	10	10
25. Br. Home Stores	1985	100	0	10	10	10
26. Gent SR	1985	100	0	10	10	10
27. Vantona Virella	1985	100	0	10	10	10
28. Fium	1985	100	0	10	10	10
INDUSTRIALS S-Z						
29. Stonehill	1985	100	0	10	10	10
30. Westland	1985	100	0	10	10	10
31. Spar & Jackson	1985	100	0	10	10	10
32. Wedgwood	1985	100	0	10	10	10
33. Transport Dev	1985	100	0	10	10	10
34. Williams Ficks	1985	100	0	10	10	10
35. Sparrow (GW)	1985	100	0	10	10	10
36. Trillick House	1985	100	0	10	10	10
37. Stacey	1985	100	0	10	10	10
38. Unigroup	1985	100	0	10	10	10
39. Times Newspapers Limited	1985	100	0	10	10	10

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Weekly Dividend						
1. MK Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
2. Rascal Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
3. Eurotherm	1985	100	0	10	10	10
4. BSR	1985	100	0	10	10	10
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9. Auto Sec	1985	100	0	10	10	10
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BRITISH FUNDS						
1. MK Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
2. Rascal Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
3. Eurotherm	1985	100	0	10	10	10
4. BSR	1985	100	0	10	10	10
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SHORTS (Under Five Years)						
1. MK Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
2. Rascal Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
3. Eurotherm	1985	100	0	10	10	10
4. BSR	1985	100	0	10	10	10
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FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS						
1. MK Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
2. Rascal Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
3. Eurotherm	1985	100	0	10	10	10
4. BSR	1985	100	0	10	10	10
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OVER FIFTEEN YEARS						
1. MK Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
2. Rascal Elect	1985	100	0	10	10	10
3. Eurotherm	1985	100	0	10	10	10
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UNRATED						
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3. Eurotherm	1985	100	0	10	10	10
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RIDER-LINKED						
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3. Eurotherm	1985	100	0	10	10	10
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BREWERIES						
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BANKS DISCOUNT HP						
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3. Eurotherm	1985	100	0	10	10	10
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86%	Each	9%	1988	97%	+	10.380	10.642
72%	Treas	6%	1985-88	76%	-	8.875	10.193
100%	Treas	15%	1988	133%	..	11.844	10.958
100%	Treas	12%	1988	108%	..	11.051	10.758
85%	Treas	9%	1989	96%	+	10.226	10.487
100%	Each	12%	1999	112%	-	11.055	10.725
50%	Treas	16%	1989	89%	-	10.571	10.600

FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Goodbye to days of wine and poses

These proposals will transform the position of unquoted trading companies seeking outside equity. These words of the then Chancellor, Sir Geoffrey Howe, heralding the emergence of the Business Expansion Scheme in his 1983 Budget, from the overly restrictive provisions of the Business Start Up Scheme.

The surfeit of asset backed schemes, notably farming and property development companies, were the first shock of the new system. They were seen as blatant abuses of the scheme and were removed from it in the 1984 and 1985 Budgets.

Now the Inland Revenue is clamping down, albeit late in the day, on the wine, antiques and hotel-based schemes which ingenious second tier sponsors and their professional advisors have dreamed up.

The Revenue's stated objection - that local inspectors responsible for approving individual company schemes are not being given a totally objective picture of the nature of the business - disguises the fact that the Revenue is simply unhappy that tax relief should be given for such unenterprising, asset-backed schemes.

It is true that local inspectors are being pressurised into giving provisional approval to schemes on the basis of very slight information, by promoters worried that large asset based deals might slip off the table. There is an obvious need for a proper detailed and official clearance procedure which takes in both the preliminary and subsequent confirmatory stages of BES approval. At the moment there is no formal clearance procedure and those companies that have slipped through the Revenue's hands face possible withdrawal of their BES status even after the money has been raised. Investors should not that BES tax relief is by no means sacrosanct; removal of a company's BES status will entail a Revenue clawback of the relief.

The legislation was never intended to encourage, for instance, BES wine companies, which are in many cases lucrative spin-offs from existing wine broking businesses, using their existing storage, wholesale and distribution network. Creating virtually no new jobs, tainted by incestuous commercial arrangements and decorated with lucrative share option schemes for sponsors, they are the antithesis of the spirit of enterprise and corporate growth the scheme seeks to promote.

Government statistics on companies financed through the BES, together with the report commissioned from Peat Marwick Mitchell, the accountants (already completed with the Minister) confirm that the majority of projects is true to the BES ethos. The Revenue's clampdown should sort out the rotten apples.

The big bang look starts to emerge

There are 338 days to the Stock Exchange's big bang, and its approach is clearly beginning to prompt decisions to be taken at last. Yesterday the organizing committees of the stockbroker Hoare Govett and the securities conglomerate Barclays de Zoete Wedd (BZW) burst forth with their structures for the brave new world.

Hoare Govett's theme was to introduce systems designed to manage global products and global clients, to take advantage of the worldwide shift towards deregulation. To those ends it has streamlined its top management to produce a seven-man executive committee under Richard West as chief executive. He will have a deputy, Anthony Greayer, a finance director and four management directors, responsible respectively for UK equities and trading, international, debt instruments and global research and key clients.

The last category implies that, in Hoare Govett's eyes, there will be at least two categories of client, key and non-key. Doubtless the firm will resist any suggestion that the key clients will pay slimmer commission rates but receive the cream of the research output. Its imagination.

Debt attack by governor

From Sue Branford
Sao Paulo

Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, the Governor of the Bank of England, leaves Rio de Janeiro today after a week-long visit to Brazil. In his three-week tour of Latin America he will visit Ecuador, Colombia and Mexico.

During his visit Mr Leigh-Pemberton repeatedly stressed his confidence in the present cautious case-by-case approach to the Latin American debt crisis adopted by international bankers.

In a speech to the British Chamber of Commerce in Sao Paulo, he attacked those "who banker after a more dramatic approach which would relieve countries of a sizeable proportion of their debt burden at a stroke".

Under questioning, he admitted that he was indirectly expressing disapproval of the proposal, made by some members of the Brazilian Government, for the partial capitalization of interest payments.

Mr Leigh-Pemberton is also believed to have expressed scepticism to the Brazilian authorities over the long-term viability of their economic policies.

ive Dealerscall service will help to mitigate the small investor's dealing costs, but research threatens to be a fraught area for those of limited means who still like to study form.

The BZW's structure is, almost inevitably, the more complex as it attempts to weave a merchant bank, a stockbroker and a separate fund management operation in the wings. As is known, it will be led by Sir Martin Jacobson in the chair, with Lord Camoys as chief executive. John Robertson, at present senior partner of Wedd Durlacher Mordaunt, will be Sir Martin's deputy and Rex Cooper of de Zoete & Bevan will underwrite Lord Camoys.

The operation, which will be allowed to flower fully only from next October, has been divided logically enough into gilts and bonds, UK equities, international equities, banking, corporate finance and development capital.

There is no "reception area" for clients as such. In general they will be directed towards UK equities unless and until their needs are more specifically targeted. Asset management will include the Barclays Unicorn trust management team.

If there is a weakness in Barclay's armour, it is in corporate stockbroking services. Corporate finance will include both stockbroking and merchant banking. It is envisaged that a company may have another firm as its merchant bank and the corporate finance stockbroking department of BZW as its stockbroking adviser.

That looks unconvincing, and in the long run the intention must be to persuade BZW's corporate clients to adopt BZW as a one-stop service centre. If so, it will only reinforce the likelihood that the business will increasingly cater for Barclays' clearing bank customers rather than those of rival banks. Pressures to do so will in any case be intensified by the more ingrained one-stop approach of the large US securities houses.

Complacency cracks in unit trusts

The unit trust industry has been given a clear and much needed lead by its oldest and largest fund management company. This week, John Fairbairn, deputy managing director of M&G Limited, called on unit trust companies to widen the appeal of their trusts in order to win new investors. It is an indication that the complacency into which the industry has sunk is beginning to crack.

The problem is not the size of direct unit trust sales, which have boomed in recent months, but the number of investors. With fewer than 800,000 direct unit holders, the industry has still failed to rebuild its investor base to the level of the early 1970s before stock markets turned sour. It also compares badly with 1.6 million Stock Exchange investors, 25 million bank account holders and 40 million building society investors.

For too long, unit trust companies have concentrated on marketing highly specialised funds which appeal only to seasoned investors.

The groundwork for wider investment in unit trusts has been laid by the British Telecom share issue while the abolition of life assurance premium relief has put unit trusts on an equal tax footing with insurance products.

The way forward, Mr Fairbairn points out, is to market general funds which new investors can understand and which give them a wide, if unexciting, portfolio spread. The wider marketing of monthly unit trust savings plans, which provide a genuine alternative to building society savings schemes, is another area of development.

It is a measure of the industry's slowness to take these points that the initiative has so far been taken solely by insurance companies, such as the Prudential, which are newcomers to direct unit trust selling. Mr Fairbairn suggests that unit trust companies could sell their wares by linking up with the sales networks of insurance companies, or alternatively through building society branches.

Inquiry costs near £3m

The cost of the public inquiry into the building of a pressurized water-cooled (PWR) nuclear power station at Sizewell, Suffolk, is now nearing £3 million, with costs likely to escalate as the final report is delayed, writes David Young.

Our Energy Correspondent. The Department of Energy and the Central Electricity Generating Board are to meet the eventual costs of the 14-month inquiry. Government's decision on the power station is not likely until next autumn.

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS		MAIN PRICE CHANGES		CURRENCIES	
FT Ind Ord	1135.4 (+13.6)	RISER:		London:	
FT All Share	899.64 (+3.6)	Ass Special Sits	71p +21.50p	2: 45.442 (+0.0122)	
FT Govt Securities	83.85 (+0.25)	Radio City A NV	36p +8p	2: 3.7445 (+0.0050)	
FT-SE 100	1,451.0 (+7.9)	Stoddard Hds	17p +3p	3: 3.0618 (-0.0002)	
Bargains	228.80	Bairdow Eyes	183p +26p	4: 11.4001 (+0.0130)	
Dataseam USM	108.91 (+0.37)	Case	119p +17p	5: 292.31 (+0.85)	
New York		Halstead James	112p +14p	6: 80.1 (+0.2)	
Dow Jones	1464.56 (+2.30)	Stoddard Hds A	13p +1.50p		
Tokyo		Pengkalen	225p +25p		
Nikkei Dow	12759.33 (+82.31)	Alphameric	138p +10p		
Hong Kong	1712.82 (-49.69)	Dom Holdings	106p +11p		
Sydney	991.3 (+7.2)	Wegon Finance	118p +11p		
Amsterdam	238.7 (+0.7)	TSL Thermal Synd	215p +17p		
Frankfurt		Edmond Holdings	12.50p +1p		
Commerzbank	1773.4 (+8.8)	Canon Str Invs	103p +8p		
Brussels		Castle (GB)	130p +1p		
General	982.34 (+20.72)	Looker Thomas	28p +2p		
Paris CAC	248.6 (+7.1)	Boots	225p +18p		
Zurich		Dunton Group	22p +1.50p		
SKA General	464.20 (+3.70)	Premier Cons Oil	38.50p +2.50p		
GOLD		Empire Stores	160p +10p		
London fixing	\$326.50	Coin Industries	65p +4p		
am \$326.00pm \$328.75		Connells Est Ag	168p +10p		
close \$328.25-\$328.75					
(£225.74-£226.25)		FALLS:			
New York		Audiotronic Hdg	3.50p -0.50p		
Comex (Latest) \$327.75		Rotapring	4.50p -0.50p		
		Acorn Computers	53p -5p		
		Reduct Int'l	34p -3p		

Mecca and Warner sold to directors for record £95m

By Patience Wheatcroft

Grand Metropolitan is selling its Mecca Leisure and Warner Holidays businesses to the management in a record-breaking £95 million buyout which has succeeded despite fierce competition from The Rank Organisation.

Grand Met has been on the brink of accepting a £100 million offer from Rank when suggestions of this would inevitably result in job losses and the possibility of a Monopolies Commission reference persuaded the company to reconsider.

The buyout, the biggest so far in Britain, is being led by Mr Michael Guthrie, Mecca Leisure's chairman. His team is asking the City for more than £97 million to fund the purchase of the bingo hall to

holiday centres business. They intend to float the company on the Stock Exchange before the spring of 1987.

Grand Met is selling the businesses because it says they do not fit into its strategy for the future but analysts believe that, as an independent company, Mecca could be highly profitable.

In the year to the end of September the companies being sold made trading profits of £9.3 million but estimates for this year go as high as £13.5 million, making an exit price of 15 times earnings look reasonable.

Mr Guthrie and three colleagues from the Mecca board are putting up £250,000 to buy 10 per cent of the shares in the new company, to be known as

Mecca. Their shares are at a substantial discount: institutions are being asked to pay more than £40 million for the remaining 90 per cent.

The rest of the package is £55 million of loan finance, being provided by Samuel Montagu and Royal Bank of Scotland.

The equity is to be sold in units which are a mixture of ordinary and convertible preference shares, the latter due to be converted when Mecca is floated. The coupon on these preference shares is likely to be between 5½ and 6 per cent net.

Samuel Montagu, the merchant banker arranging the finance, hopes to place these units next week and will also be syndicating the loans.

In the last two years Grand Met has spent about £26 million

on improving facilities at Warner's 11 holiday centres and on turning Mecca dance halls into fashionable night clubs. There is also continuing expenditure on the bingo halls, now known as social clubs.

But management intends to keep capital expenditure to between £5 and £10 million this year and next, with a clear benefit to profits.

Mr Guthrie believes the growth potential for Mecca is huge, particularly now that changes in the gaming laws are enabling the maximum bingo prizes to be raised in the new year.

He also wants the company to take in public houses now that it is free from the Grand Met umbrella.

'Standard' ownership may change

By Our City Staff

London's evening newspaper, The London Standard, may be about to change hands, largely as a result of United Newspapers' takeover of Fleet Holdings.

The paper is shared between Associated Newspapers, publisher of the Daily Mail, and Trafalgar House, whose vice-chairman, Lord Matthews, is chairman of the Standard and was chairman of Fleet until the takeover.

Mr David Stevens, the new proprietor through Fleet, of Express Newspapers, has expressed interest in the Standard, but Lord Rothemere, Associated's chairman, is believed to be keen to own 100 per cent of the profitable newspaper.

His future may hinge on the December board meeting at which Lord Matthews is expected to confirm his resignation from the board.

Trafalgar House is believed to be ready to sell its interest in the Standard which does not fit easily with its other interests, ranging from the Ritz Hotel and the Q&Z to property development.

In 1982 Trafalgar decided to extricate itself from the newspaper business and hived off Express Newspapers, which it had bought a few years earlier, into an independent company, Fleet Holdings, but it retained its holding in the Standard because of an agreement with Associated Newspapers.

There was also the continuing link in the person of Lord Matthews, who, since the Fleet takeover, has announced his retirement and said he will be leaving the Trafalgar board in January. That leaves Sir Nigel Brooker, chairman of Trafalgar, free of any personal obligation he may have felt about retaining the Standard.

Each owner of the Standard must give the other first option on buying its shares should it choose to sell, but a price might be hard to agree. The Standard's main assets are its title and about five million Reuters shares, worth more than £15 million.

LME says tin trading will stay suspended

By Our City Staff

The London Metal Exchange announced yesterday that tin trading will remain suspended until December 9 at the earliest. Trading was halted on October 24.

The LME, in reaching its decision, was responding to pressure not to resume trading until after the International Tin Council's emergency meeting, which begins on December 2. The ITC has agreed to remain in session until a solution to the crisis is achieved.

There were strong rumours in the commodity markets yesterday of a new Malaysian initiative aimed at ending the tin crisis. Unofficial trading of tin continued.

Mr Michael Brown, chief executive of the LME, announced the suspension of trading up to and including Friday, December 6. He gave no assurance that trading would be resumed the following Monday.

Share sale raises £1.8m for Halpern

By Our City Staff

Six Burton Group directors led by the chairman, Mr Ralph Halpern, have celebrated the profits leap reported by the company on Thursday with some major share sales, which bring them all big profits.

The directors have sold shares that were granted options several years ago and have now been converted at historic cost, reflecting the rapid growth of the company.

The biggest gain goes to Mr Halpern himself, who sold 300,000 shares at £6 each, having exercised the option to buy them at 46p. The finance director, Mr Michael Wood, sold 60,000 shares, bought at 46p each, and the personnel director, Mr Charles Bracken, sold 45,000 bought at 46p and another 20,000 bought at 60p.

Three other directors, Mr Laurence Coolin, Dr Robert Woodman and Mr Gerald Slater, sold a total of 126,000



Ralph Halpern: bought shares at 46p

shares, all bought at 46p. Yesterday Burton's share price slipped to just above the £6 at which they all sold, having reached £6.25 after the leap to profits of more than £80 million was reported.

Burton has always proclaimed its adherence to a policy of performance-related rewards.

Guinness Peat 'unfair'

Britannia Arrow, the banking and fund management group, has accused Guinness Peat of taking unfair credit for its 26 per cent stake in Britannia, for which it is mounting an unwarranted £215 million bid.

The Guinness Peat accounts show a profit of £2.6 million through equity accounting the British stake, which means that

it has taken credit for 26 per cent of Britannia's profits instead of merely the dividend. Accounting standards state that that should be done only if the company has influence over the business it has invested in.

Mr Alastair Morton, Guinness Peat's chief executive, said: "We are confident in our treatment of our investment."

Price tag of £269m for Ashley

By Alison Eadie

Laura Ashley, designer, manufacturer and retailer of clothes and home furnishings with a distinctive country look, is coming to the stock market with a price tag of £269.5 million.

The company was founded in 1954 by Mr Bernard Ashley and Mrs Laura Ashley.

By the end of October Laura Ashley had 219 shops in 12 countries including 81 in Britain and 80 in North America.

In the past five years turnover and pretax profits have grown from £25.4 million and £875,000 respectively in 1980 to £96.4 million and £14.1 million in 1985.

A total of 46.5 million shares, or 23.3 per cent of the equity, are being offered for sale at 135p each. Shares worth £1.25 million have been donated by the Ashley family to staff schemes and the take-up is already above 70 per cent.

The £23 million money raised for the company will go towards a new factory in Wales, which will double the existing capacity at Carmo when fully operational in June 1987; expanding production at Helmond, in the Netherlands; and pursuing a vigorous opening programme. A new flagship store is due to open in Rue St Honoré in Paris in February.

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IN BRIEF

Pound tops \$1.45

The pound and share prices continued their strong rise yesterday. Sterling gained 1.2 cents to \$1.4542, the first time it has been above \$1.45 since March 1984. Later in New York it traded at \$1.4585.

The Financial Times 30-share index rose 13.8 to a new high of 1135.4. The wider FTSE index gained 7.8 to close at 1450.9.

The pound was generally firm, the sterling index gaining 0.2 to 80.1. The dollar dropped below DM2.58 against the mark, finishing the day at DM2.5775. The dollar touched the 200 level against the Japanese yen.

Over the week, the pound gained nearly 3.5 cents against the dollar. The FT 30 index rose by just under 50 points.

Dataseam calculates that share prices have advanced by £6,808 million this week. The gain this year is at £38,451 million.

Kwik Save rise

Kwik Save Discount, the food retailer, has increased pretax profits to £36 million in the year to August 31 from £31.8 million. A final dividend of 3.4p makes 4.8p for the year against 4.1p last time.

Gartmore move

Mr Peter Pearson Lund has left his job as managing director of Henderson Unit Trust Management to take over direction of the unit trust operation of Gartmore Investment Management. Mr Lund, who has worked at Henderson for 10 years, said that he was afraid of becoming stale in his old job.

Sumrie Clothes, the menswear group alleged to be involved in the Johnson Matthey Bankers controversy, announced losses of £137,000 in the 26 weeks to September 27. It said it had moved towards profitability in the second quarter.

Goldengo-ahead

Anglo American Corp of South Africa's proposed merger of four Orange Free State gold mines has South African Government approval and will go ahead once shareholders and the supreme court have ratified it.

Offer extended

Hanson Trust has extended its cash tender offer for SCM Corp common stock to December 2.

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Couple goes to Europe over income tax

TAXATION

The British Government is being challenged at the European Court of Human Rights over its tax treatment of married couples.

A retired solicitor, David Lindsay, and his wife Daphne, who live at Pangbourne in the Thames Valley, have had their case accepted by the European Court and an exchange of documents is under way as part of the preliminaries to a full hearing.

The Lindsays' case is that the British tax system treats married couples more harshly than single people.

They claimed: "No complaint, of course, is made of the imposition by the state of tax on income, but such imposition should not be discriminatory as between those of married and those of single status, nor as between male and female breadwinners."

"Similarly, there should be no discrimination on the grounds of marital status or of sex of main breadwinner in the extent that the State, in exacting taxes, interferes in private and family life and home."

In Britain married couples are treated as a single unit and are entitled to just one Capital Gains Tax allowance of £5,900, and one slice of £30,000 mortgage interest relief, whereas two people living together can each have full allowances.

And although married couples can opt for separate taxation for their earned income, they cannot separate their unearned income.

It is the rule on unearned income which has peeved the Lindsays, and many other married couples too. In 1982-83 Mr Lindsay was employed by British Airways and his wife was not working. Mr Lindsay's income was £16,170 from employment and £2,657.50 from investments and Mrs Lindsay's was £2,534.50 from

investments and £1,079 from a settlement made by her father.

The income tax was calculated as if the £22,381 income was totally that of the husband, resulting in a tax bill of £6,948.40. Mrs Lindsay has no personal allowance because her income was unearned, and their joint allowance, the married man's allowance, is a long way short of two single allowances.

The Lindsays, in their statement to the European Court, set out what the tax might have been in other circumstances.

In its reply, the Government gave its calculations. If the Lindsays had not been married their tax bill would have been £6,398.10; if it had been Mrs Lindsay who worked while Mr Lindsay was a house-husband, the bill would have been £6,209.75; and if the same reversed couple had opted for separate taxation their bill would have been £5,935 - just about £1,000 less than it actually was.

"I want to see tax justice before tax cutting," says Mr Lindsay. "It is in years when the Government has a surplus that they can do things like this."

The Green Paper on the taxation of married couples which the Chancellor promised in his last Budget was due by the end of this year, but it is not now expected before the spring.

One of the reasons for the delay of this review of personal taxation is the Government's wish to integrate the tax and social security system. But while the social security system is committed to viewing couples as a unit, the pressure on the tax system are towards separation.

In its submission to the European Court to counter Mr Lindsay's challenge to the legality of the British tax system, the Government says most married couples pay less tax, or no more, than they would if they were taxed as single people.



It says: "Only 3 per cent of married couples paying tax have a higher tax bill than if they were treated separately."

"These are couples where the wife has little or no earnings but a significant amount of investment income which, when added to her husband's income, takes the couple's total income above the limit for basic rate tax and results in the couple paying tax at the higher rates."

This is not entirely true as a single woman whose income is solely from investments is entitled to a single person's allowance. She loses this on marriage as her income has to be "earned" to qualify for wife's earned income allowance.

The Government rejects the notion that the system is discriminatory, although it accepts that it favours some taxpayers at the expense of others.

The Government also argues that the Green Paper which will deal with the separation of couples' investment income and transferable allowances permitting a husband or wife to pass over any unused portion of

his or her personal allowance to the other partner will solve the Lindsays' complaints.

But legislation on the issue cannot come before 1987 and, we are told, the new system could not be introduced until 1990 when the Inland Revenue is fully computerized.

A QC experienced in EEC work is being briefed to continue the pleadings. The Lindsays now have to reply to the Government response to their original challenge.

Vivien Goldsmith

Payoffs are petering out

REDUNDANCY

The Government's decision to disband the Redundancy Fund, which for 20 years has paid rebates to employers to help with their redundancy costs, is a further indication that the shake-out in industry is now well past its peak.

Redundancies, approximately 425,000 a year, are now running at half the level of 1981, and the fund, which was initially designed to encourage employers to release workers at a time of labour shortage, is now regarded by ministers as outdated and irrelevant.

During the scheme's lifetime more than six million people have been made redundant and while those in the private sector have generally enjoyed better terms than their public sector counterparts there have been several expensive schemes in the "smokestack" industries such as steel, coal and the docks which have been progressively enhanced to persuade reluctant workers to leave their jobs.

The severance scheme for miners was improved by the Government at the start of the year-long strike as part of its strategy to close loss-making pits.

The scheme starts with a basic £1,000 for every year of service, and a man leaving the industry at 50 with 30 years' service can expect to get a lump sum of more than £22,000 plus weekly benefits amounting to £78.75 until he reaches normal

retiring age or is able to find another job.

More than 17,000 miners have left the industry since the end of the dispute in March. The payments comprise three elements - money from the Redundant Mineworkers' Payments Scheme, funded by the Government; the normal state redundancy and unemployment benefits; and payment from the Mineworkers' Pension Scheme.

The £1.7 billion pension fund is one of Britain's largest and has been the cause of friction and dispute for some time between the National Coal Board and the National Union of Mineworkers, which are joint trustees.

Arthur Scargill, the union's president, and his senior colleagues have refused to take up their seats as trustees because they object to the scheme's investment policy, arguing that there should be no overseas investments.

Their places have meanwhile been given to retired union members.

The redundancy scheme is operated on a sliding scale of payments, which for younger men means pay-offs of around £5,000 rising to £36,480 for a 49-year-old man with 33 years' service.

From the age of 50 the weekly benefits are introduced but after 55 the lump sum payments decrease to an average £16,000 with the weekly benefits rising to around £104.

Payments under the scheme for miners leaving the industry

during the next 12 months have been clouded with uncertainty because of the effect that non-payment of National Insurance contributions during the strike will have on the state benefits element of the severance package.

A married man who remained loyal to the union throughout the strike will probably lose £49.25 a week unemployment benefit and there may also be other deductions, some of substantial amounts.

A miner on average weekly earnings of £165, aged 61, who leaves after 41 years' service, would lose £109.34 in weekly benefits next year. The option of taking a pension would cushion the loss but would also mean he would not be eligible for any future payment from the Redundant Mineworkers' Payments Scheme of around £10 a week.

The Government's other main scheme, to encourage dockers to take early retirement, has recently been revamped, with the Government agreeing to write off the £44.5 million debts of the National Dock Labour Board.

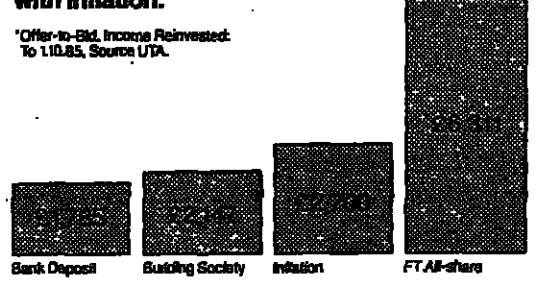
The new maximum payment under the National Employers Release Arrangements is to be £25,000, but the scheme is to stay open until 1988 in a move to meet union criticisms that previous schemes had given dockers little time to make such an important decision.

David Felton

THE SOUND WAY TO INVEST IN STOCKS & SHARES

The potential rewards of investing in stocks and shares have been underlined by the success of new issues like British Telecom, Jaguar and British Aerospace, and by the takeover bids for such household names as Currys, Debenhams and House of Fraser. Shares, unlike bank or building society deposits, can provide you with an inflation-beating stake in the future prosperity of growing companies. However, they do present risks as well as rewards. Prudence and common sense suggest a broad professionally-managed portfolio of stocks, but this is obviously beyond the resources of the smaller investor. The answer is a well-managed unit trust.

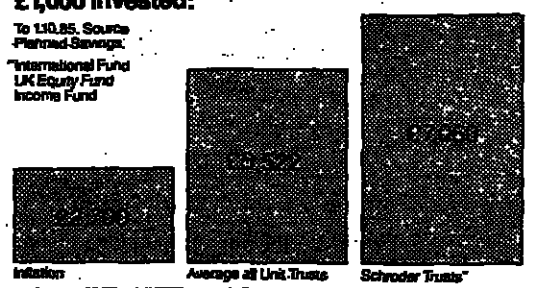
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The table above shows full year returns to bid figures. Six months ended Sept 30, 1985 produced income of £813, and increased the capital to £30,436.

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FAMILY MONEY/3

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Sketchley, the dry cleaning company, is doubling the discount on dry cleaning charges offered to those who hold shares in the company, from 25 per cent to 50 per cent, giving half price cleaning. To qualify for the discount you must hold at least 300 Sketchley shares. The half-price cleaning concession will operate during the quieter trading months of January and February of next year.

And shareholders who have any old winter coats or children's outer clothing they do not want should take them along to Sketchley. The company has arranged to clean and repair them and pass them on to Help the Aged and Dr Barnardo's children's homes.

Staying safe through winter

The Association of British Insurers' timely reminder, *Watch out for Winter*, has arrived. The ABI issues leaflets advising householders on a variety of subjects in the hope of preventing accidents and damage likely to cause an insurance claim. *Watch out for Winter* warns of the risk of flood damage from frozen pipes, fire hazards - often overlooked but substantially increased at this time of the year. The leaflet also advises how to take emergency first aid measures to minimise damage.

Watch out for Winter is free (send stamped addressed envelope) from the Association of British Insurers, Alderman House, Queen Street, London, EC4N 1TT.

Part-time and legal

Part-time work is on the increase. Latest estimates show that in all industries and services about 4.3 million people, mostly women, work part-time. In the past some part-time workers were paid as "casuals" in cash, but the Inland Revenue has been tightening up in this area. To help employers, small

businesses and employees deal with the formalities of PAYE and part-time workers, the National Federation of Self-Employed and Small Businesses has published a leaflet setting out the law as it applies to part-timers.

Part-Time Workers and the Law includes sections covering tax and National Insurance requirements, hours rules for part-timers and employment law regulations. "Employers, particularly small businesses, should be aware of the specific rules and responsibilities regarding part-time employment," said Ian Handford, chairman of the federation's employment law committee.

£11m flavour

The success of unit trust groups in marketing "flavour of the month" trusts is exemplified by the figures from Barclays Unicorn. Its European Growth fund took in £11 million during the three-week launch period on October 28 - not a record but a very sizeable sum. "We are extremely pleased at the public response to this new trust, which has achieved twice the investment level we anticipated during the launch period," said Clive Fern Smith, Barclays Unicorn chairman.

Framlington's offer

We were a little unfair to Framlington last week in our article on discounts available from unit trust groups. Framlington points out that it does give discounts in certain circumstances set out in the Framlington Unit Trust Guide. Discounts on purchases of Framlington units are available for investments of more than £10,000, when Framlington units are exchanged for units in other Framlington trusts and for contributions of £100 or more in its Savings Plan. All in all, there are seven specific circumstances where discounts are given. It is important to bear in mind that these discounts are given automatically. You do not have to ask or negotiate for them as you are entitled to them says Framlington.

For further details or copies of the Framlington Unit Trust Guide contact Framlington Unit Management Ltd, 3 London Wall Buildings, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ (01-626 5187).



Just think of all those prime sites for building societies out there

Watch this one

Elderly home-owners should be wary of the new home annuity scheme being offered by National Provincial Building Society. Home annuity schemes work on the basis that the elderly home-owner, who generally has to be over 70, borrows a lump sum from the building society at a fixed rate of interest, using the money to purchase an annuity which provides a fixed income. Because of the tax treatment of both the interest on the borrowing and the annuity payments, the net result is that the home-owner has extra spendable income. But the schemes work only if both the borrowing rate for the loan from the building society and the annuity rate are fixed - not variable.

National Provincial is offering interest-only loans. The lump sum being used to purchase an annuity. But the borrowing rate of 12.75 per cent (8.9 after tax relief) is not fixed, but variable. If mortgage rates rise, the elderly home-owner could find that the interest payments not only wiped out the extra income from the annuity - but actually exceeded it. This is potentially very dangerous.

Pensioners miss out

An estimated 35 per cent of pensioners who are entitled to supplementary benefit have not claimed, according to Age Concern - yet British pensioners are among the lowest in Europe, with millions of elderly people relying on benefits to meet essential expenses such as rates, rent and heating costs. Age Concern points out that winter with its large heating bills can be a worrying time for pensioners and the latest edition of this organization's *Your Rights for Pensioners*, details the cash help available.

Topics such as housing benefit, supplementary pensions and the Christmas bonus are covered by the booklet, which is available at 70p from W H. Smith and other booksellers, or from the Marketing Department, PR21, Age Concern, 60 Pittam Road, Mitcham, Surrey CR4 3LL, at 90p, including post and packing.

Unclaimed bonus

The tax implications of separation and divorce are complicated. Gerry Moscrop, a partner in City accountants Neville Russell, said: "Because of inadequate advice, up to £125 million could be lying unclaimed from the taxman in divorce settlements involving children - and that's only the figure for this year's settlements." Mr Moscrop points out that by the simple device of arranging maintenance under a court order rather than the more usual maintenance agreement, every £70 received by a child could be increased by £30 - thanks to the taxman. Mr Moscrop claims there is widespread evidence that those affected by broken marriages were not receiving the right financial advice that would enable them to benefit fully from a child's personal tax allowance.

Sunday nonsense

There have been some sensible and some not so sensible reasons given for promoting or opposing proposed changes in the Sunday trading laws. But the most bizarre so far comes from Gingerbread, the one-parent families self-help organization. According to

Gingerbread, 87 per cent of its members are in favour of Sunday trading for the obvious reason that a high proportion of single parents work and have difficulty getting to the shops during normal opening hours.

But Gingerbread claims that Sunday shopping would "help reduce the feeling of isolation and depression from which many lone parents suffer on Sundays. The opportunity to go shopping with the children or a friend would provide an enjoyable additional social and leisure activity". It is difficult to imagine anyone going shopping with children for pleasure.

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Details of C & G's Gold Account from all C & G branches, or from head office, Cheltenham House, Clarence Street, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL50 3JR (Cheltenham 86161).

Tax Crusade

Have you ever wondered whether you are arranging your investments in the most tax-efficient way? Crusader Insurance has just produced a pack of insurance policy trust documents, designed to cope with every eventuality. For example, not many single parents should be written in trust to avoid the proceeds becoming part of the estate and therefore subject to Capital Transfer Tax on the death of the lone parent. The forms and explanations available from Crusader are comprehensive and understandable if you are prepared to take an intelligent interest in your financial affairs. Details are obtainable from Crusader Insurance, Reigate, Surrey RH2 8BL (Reigate 42424).

Units with the Italian connection

A new unit trust group, called Hambro Generali, has been launched. The group, which kicks off with a UK Growth Trust and a Property Share Trust, is in fact a joint venture between Hambros Bank Unit Trust Managers and the Italian-based insurance company, Assicurazioni Generali.

Although available directly to investors, the unit trusts have been set up in conjunction with a range of unit-linked pension and life assurance products that Generali is launching in this country.

Investors in these products will be able to choose between the two unit trusts, some specialist unit trusts already managed by Hambros and two funds already set up by Assicurazioni: 13 possible vehicles.

The Hambro Generali stable is offering a Maximum Investment Plan - the standard mixture of unit-linked life assurance and direct investment in unit funds - together with a Personal Pension Plan and a number of other products.

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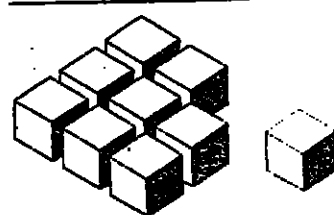
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INVESTMENT TRUSTS

Investment trusts are tired of hiding their light under a bushel, according to Raymond Cazale, chairman of the Association of Investment Trust Companies. This week Mr Cazale called for a relaxation of the rules restricting investment trusts' advertising activities.

And from the look of things investment trusts do have quite a lot to shout about - particularly if you compare their average performance with the much vaunted unit trust section.

The table takes you through the individual sectors into which unit and investment trusts are traditionally classified. In absolutely every case the investment trust sector, on both a one-year and a five-year view, beats the unit trust sector.

The five-year view shows that the investment trusts are quite far ahead of their unit trust counterparts, particularly in the international and income sectors. A £100 investment - as an average - would in the international sector be worth £213 with the unit trust route and £274 following the investment trust path.

Investment trusts have held up well against other forms of investment - and also measured against inflation. See the relevant performance table.

The top of the charts on a one-year and five-year, return-to-shareholder view (see table) is Lowland Investment, chaired by Mr Cazale himself. The day-to-day management is carried out, however, by Richard Smith, who has about 10 years' experience of investment management and is, in Mr Cazale's view, "something of a specialist in higher yielding UK companies".

Mr Cazale puts Lowland's success down to good management, a strong British presence - currently 88 per cent of the trust is at home - and the handsome capital growth shown by the high-yielding stocks for which the trust has a penchant.

Over at Temple Bar Investment Trust, the investment manager Peter Knapton points out that the trust's one-year position as fourth in the charts has something to do with the fact that 10 per cent by number of the trust's holdings have been bid for by other companies this year.

"Eight of these were actually taken over," says Mr Knapton, numbering Debenhams, House of Fraser and Saxon Oil among them.

He adds: "The trust also enjoyed a 2½ per cent increase in net assets when the management company was sold to Guinness Mahon."

Temple Bar Investment Trust owned the management company which was down in the books at a fairly nominal value.

"I buy undervalued com-

All-round approach on investing

panies," says Mr Knapton in explaining his general investment policy. "Typically, these will be high yielding, low multiple investments, often trading at a discount to the market."

The Japanese investment trusts such as Crescent Japan are slowly moving down the charts on the five-year view.

Earlier this year the top five slots in this category were dominated by the Japanese. Crescent Japan is still up there, clinging on to fifth place, although its £317 return looks paltry compared with the former glories of its end-April 1985 performance of £575.

Meantime investment trusts such as GT Japan and Fleming Japan, both former high fliers, have dropped out of the top 20 completely.

One of the reasons for Electra Investment in companies



Raymond Cazale: "Hiding our light under a bushel"

such as the blue-chip exporters, and Japanese high-techs, has turned against Japanese investment trusts throughout most of this year.

One trust slowly pulling itself up the charts, although not yet reaching the top 20, is the Globe Investment Trust, which has a total of around £700 million under management, making it Britain's largest.

"We are changing to the extent that we are taking both a conventional and an unconventional approach to investment," says Colin Black, Globe's deputy chairman and managing director.

This means Globe is getting involved in management buyouts and direct property development investment. Globe money has, in fact, been the catalyst for three recent buyouts.

A notable investment coup for the trust was Waterford Glass, of which 20 per cent was purchased from the founders in August 1984. The stake is worth twice as much now in sterling terms.

This was the case with the successful bid for Murray Growth Trust. Cash was the only option on offer and many

the top 20 in both one-year and five-year sections is the flotation of some of its unquoted investments - more than half the trust is invested in unlisted securities, and notable recent success stories include Stone International, Mercantile House and Ackroyd and Smithers.

Kleinwort, Benson has sharpened up the management structure of the six investment trusts under its control, and now has Jos Holdings in both top 20s.

Every individual trust is managed by a separate manager and the investment policies between the trusts is now much more distinct than before, says Neil Young, director of Kleinwort, Benson Investment Management.

Generally investors should, however, be slightly wary of the recent upsurge in investment trust performance. The current level of corporate activity, the National Coal Board's interest in Premier, for example, has caused an uprating in discount terms as speculation circulates as to likely new targets.

Takeover activity can lead to tax

Robin Angue, of investment trust specialists Wood Mackenzie, is a little nervous in the short term although for the long term he likes the look of the sector as a whole.

"I think we shall see a continued threat of corporate activity which will be keeping the managements keen," he says.

One thing is worth bearing in mind before you leap into the investment trust sector.

Takeover activity, now indiscriminate in the sense that both weak and strong trusts are viewed as potential victims, can lead to an unwanted Capital Gains Tax bill.

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TOP 20 INVESTMENT TRUSTS

Total return to shareholder on £100, invested on October 29, 1985, offer to offer, net income reinvested

1 year	Sector avg 114.8	5 years	Sector avg 253.1
Lowland	174.5	Lowland	538.5
Drayton Premier	153.7	Greentree	372.4
Jos Holdings	141.7	Murray Income	342.2
Temple Bar	141.0	Electra	336.0
City of Oxford	139.4	Crescent Japan	317.1
Personal Assistance	138.7	Meldrum	310.3
T.R. City of London	137.1	Throgmorton	308.2
Fleming Claverhouse	136.5	Murray International	302.9
S & P Return of Assets	136.5	Murray Smaller Markets	302.2
F & C European Trust	135.6	Securities Trust of Scotland	300.7
Electra	134.2	Fleming Japan	299.7
Murray Income	134.0	Bankers	299.0
Scottish American	133.6	F & C European Trust	297.9
Throgmorton	132.7	T.R. City of London	297.9
Meldrum	132.3	First Scottish American	297.1
Securities Trust of Scotland	131.1	Scottish Mortgage	294.9
Greenfield	131.0	Alliance	294.2
Continental & Industrial	130.6	Temple Bar	294.2
Family	129.5	Jos Holdings	293.8
Fleming Enterprise	129.5	Law Debenture Co.	293.0

Source: Association of Investment Trust Companies/Wood Mackenzie

Average return on £100 invested on an offer-to-offer basis, net income reinvested, in October 1, 1985

(UT = Unit Trust, INV = Investment Trust)

Sector	UT	1 year	INV	5 years	INV
UK Growth	118.1	129.8	238.7	272.9	
North America	101.1	109.1	230.6	270.6	
Japan	93.9	94.8	222.7	345.2	
Far East	98.7	102.7	197.6	244.2	
International	101.1	118.8	218.2	274.6	
Commodity & Energy	94.7	104.7	108.7	165.8	
Income	118.3	128.9	250.6	320.4	

Source: ITEM, Quilty, Goodson

RELATIVE PERFORMANCE OF INVESTMENT TRUSTS

Value of £100 after five years to September 30, 1985

Investment	Value
Investment Trust shares	258
Stock Exchange equities	258
Unit Trusts	230
Inflation (RPI)	140
Building Society Ordinary Shares	148

Source: Association of Investment Trust Companies

name suggests, lists those brokers who specialise in investment trusts and are happy to accept new private client enquiries, and more for *Value of Money*, which explains in detail what investment trusts are and how they work.

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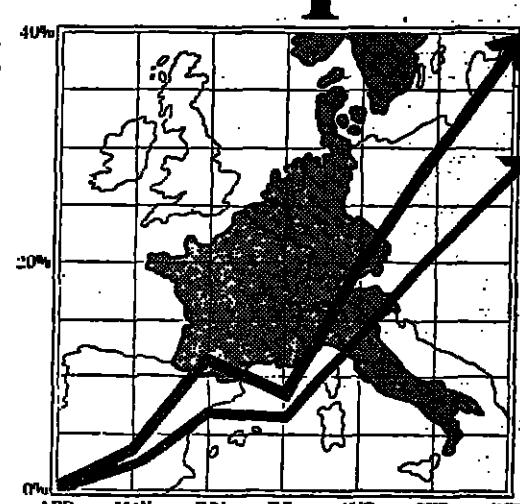
With the recent improvement in the German economy, loan demand has improved and provision for bad debts has been reduced, which has helped the Bank's profit margins. However, of greater interest is the growth in Deutsche Bank's assets as a result of its ownership of shares in fast expanding German companies. In our view, Deutsche Bank shares stand at little above their asset value, taking only slight account of future growth in earnings.

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Hidden 'penalties' in the invalid benefit increase

SOCIAL SECURITY

Most State benefit recipients will start next week to see the results of the annual benefit upratings announcements made earlier in the year. The annual rise for most benefits is 5.1 to 7 per cent with a further increase expected next July.

However, a few eyebrows must have been raised when it was announced that Invalidity Benefit (IVB) would be increased by 12 per cent this November. This is bound to pose two particular questions. Why are IVB claimants apparently being treated more generously and is the generosity all that it seems?

In fact, IVB will be increased only by 7 per cent - in line with inflation. Back in November 1980 the Government increased IVB by 5 per cent less than the prevailing inflation rate. This abatement was imposed in lieu of the Government's plan to bring IVB into the tax system - though many thousands of IVB claimants would not in fact have been liable for tax.

For this reason, during the next four years or so, claimants and rights groups alike begged the Government either to name a date for the Inland Revenue offices to become involved in the tax assessments, or for the abatement to be restored.

The Government has finally admitted that bringing IVB into the tax system is operationally impossible. In consequence the abatement of 5 per cent is to be restored this month - hence the claim that IVB will rise by 12 per cent.

There are two further points about the restored 5 per cent. First, it will be calculated only against current levels of benefit, rather than during what the benefit would have been worth if it had kept pace with inflation during the past five years.

Secondly, the many thousands of people who effectively lost money because of the abatement will not be compensated. It has been estimated that the cumulative loss to a single person by this November will be £354, and £569 for a married couple.

So, IVB recipients are not being treated more generously



Moving ahead? The disabled seem set for a generous increase, but it is not all it seems

than other claimants. In addition, all is definitely not as it seems. Having restored the 5 per cent abatement from this month, the Government intends to claw back some of that "increase".

The 1985 Social Security Act concentrated mainly on Statutory Sick Pay changes. But tucked away within its provisions were changes for IVB which will mean substantial losses for at least half of all

The component relates to actual earnings

current IVB recipients, and for all new IVB claimants. IVB has three components. Invalidity Pension is the basic benefit which replaces Sick Benefit after 28 weeks of being unfit for work. As can be seen from the table, this is the largest of the three components.

The second is a small Invalidity Allowance, which is paid to those who became unfit for work more than five years before retirement age. The rates paid are scaled according to the age of the person at the onset of the incapacity.

Finally, there is an earnings-related addition which is paid to former employees who became

entitled to IVB on or after April 6, 1979.

There are approximately 800,000 IVB recipients, of whom some 375,000 are entitled to receive the basic pension, plus the age allowance, plus the earnings-related addition.

From this month, however, all that will change. Instead of being entitled to receive both additional components, that is the age allowance and the earnings-related addition, IVB claimants will be able to claim only one of the additions - whichever is higher.

The Government's official line for this is that the two components overlap. Yet the two were designed to cope with entirely different circumstances. The age allowance was introduced as compensation for the loss of future earnings power.

The earnings-related component relates to what the individual actually earned when able to work.

As an example, someone who would normally be entitled to an average allowance of £2.55 plus an earnings-related addition of £2.98 will, under the new rules, be entitled to only the higher £2.98. For someone entitled, under current provisions, to an age-related allowance of £8.05 and an (unusual) earnings-related addition of £8.04, the latter will not be paid.

The Social Security Minister, Anthony Newton, has promised that, as a result of transitional arrangements, no current IVB beneficiary will actually lose any benefit. However, this protection will preserve only the cash value of the benefit rather than the real value, so those who continue to receive both additions will find that inflation will fast erode their value.

Linda Avery

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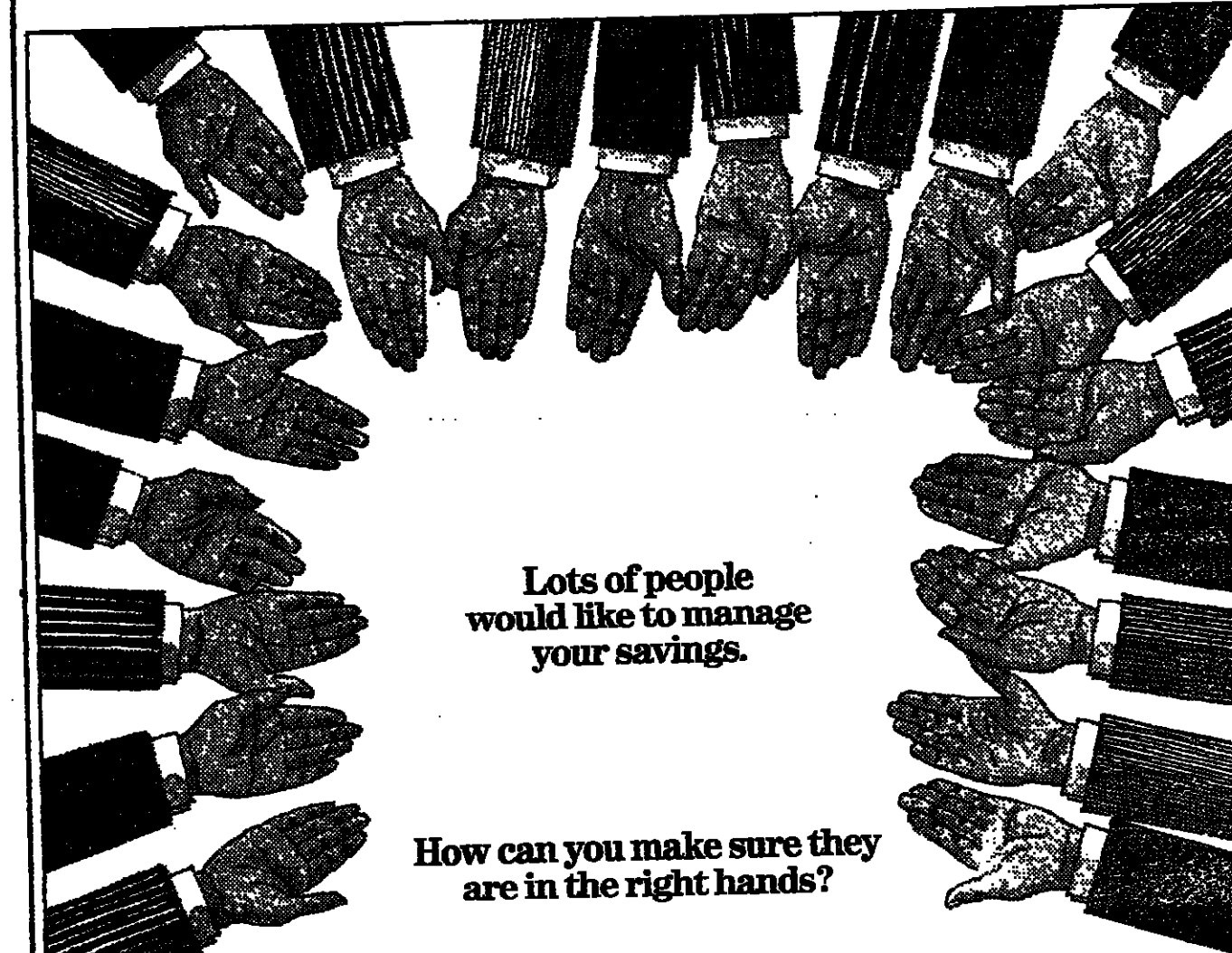
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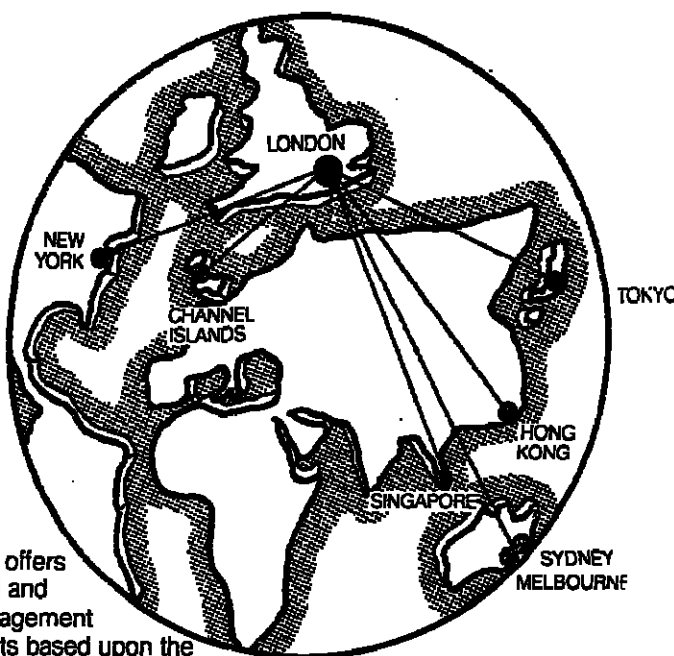
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Your Beaune barometer

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The first barometer for Burgundy prices of the new vintage is the auction held at the Hospices de Beaune in the heart of the Côte d'Or. Last Sunday the auction recorded an 86 per cent rise in the price of red Burgundies and 23 per cent for the whites.

Last year the 636 casks, each of 228 litres, made a total 15,886,000 FF; this year the auction value was 25,192,854 FF. The division between red and white in 1985 was 555 casks of red Burgundy and 80 of white, only one cask less in volume than last year.

The well publicized Hospices de Beaune sale is the first opportunity for the trade to assess a fine range to advise investors worldwide. The vintage this year showed high sugar degrees in the grapes but only average size of crop owing to the winter frost and August sleet. One of the leading houses, Bouchard Pere at Fils, founded in 1731, told me that with

careful vinification they have been able to make "a good quality vintage".

Bouchard Pere expected to pay, before last Sunday, 20 to 25 per cent more in view of this year's "exceptional quality and the quantity available". The fact that prices have jumped so much indicates demand for classic single-domain Burgundies.

As Hospices de Beaune wines are world-famous, only limited stocks come up for auction subsequently in Britain, but Duncan McEuen, a director of Christie's wine department, advised that investors rarely find any problem in securing good prices.

One feature of this year's sale in the small market town of Beaune was the number of British purchasers. Cordier Wines of Beauneville paid 45,000FF a cask for Corton, Dr Peste, which sold for 17,885FF in 1979 and in the next five years for 13,600FF, 15,870FF, 20,750FF, 23,655FF and 26,117FF - a dramatic rise this year.

Burton brewers Marston, Thompson and Evershed purchased two Hospices wines - Beaune, Clos des Avoies for 37,500FF per cask and Savignies-Beaune, Fougerand at 35,000FF, up from last year's 21,500FF and 19,000FF.

Ipswich-based Barwell and Jones secured the fourth lot in part Volnay Muteau for 44,500FF per cask. This wine had made 14,600FF to 18,750FF since 1979 until the 1984 which sold for 30,767FF.

Majestic Wine Warehouse bought two lots - Beaune, Crot-Chadron at 36,500FF and Volnay, Blondeau at 40,000FF, while James Nugent of Windsor successfully bid for Volnay-Santenots, Cuvée Jehan de Massol

Evident demand for the white grape

at 45,500FF, where the previous was 24,411FF.

Unwin, the off-licence chain, bought lot 8, a soft attractive Monthelle, Lebelin for 33,000FF. Naturally these wines are young and will not be bottled and shipped for about three years. The buyers have to pay 4 per cent administrative charge and for the new wood at a rate of 1,700FF to 1,800FF per cask.

Quarterly payments take place on December 15 and next year on March 15, June 15 and September 15. Bottling at approximately 4FF per bottle is extra.

The demand for the fine white Burgundy grape, the Chardonnay, was evident on Sunday. A Meursault, Jehan Humblot, made 210,500FF per cask. The previous wine in the years 1979-84 had sold for only 10,000FF, 9,800FF, 14,200FF, none in 1982, 25,500FF and 33,000FF respectively. Swiss, Canadian and American buyers were prominent in the successful list of bidders, again reflecting global demand.

While merchants will now reassess prices and await next spring's auction in Nuits St Georges - also a charity event - it is likely that British buyers will be placed on quota and investors would be well advised to seek several sources, as well as tasting at the earliest opportunity.

The next major such public occasion will be in Nuits next year, but indications of likely intention would be sensible if some of this fine quality 1985 vintage in Burgundy is not to miss the investment cellar.

Unlike the take-up for 1983 vintage ports by companies operating under the Business Expansion Scheme, there is no evidence to date of such activity on the Burgundy market for this vintage.

Probably the fragmented size of the market and the extra knowledge required for wines of real appreciation potential have been a dual deterrent. The private individual should therefore have an advantage.

Wine merchants are unlikely to up their prices before Christmas, but the high prices paid at auction are bound to affect prices of existing stock.

Conal Gregory

How the banks can still back small business

"Banks should stick to banking," said Donald Heady, a chartered accountant and member of the council of the accountants' governing body, when Lloyds Bank last month announced the phasing out of its tax service for small businesses.

Four years ago Lloyds launched a tax service for sole traders and partnerships. The bank's trust company would deal with such matters as completing tax returns, drafting accounts and providing advice on tax planning.

Lack of demand was one of the main reasons why Lloyds decided to disband the division. Mr Heady said: "The advice proved too expensive and too impersonal. Banking should not involve taxation and the preparation of accounts."

Lloyds customers will have to suffer the inconvenience of finding new financial advisers, but if they require, the bank will make introductions for them to local firms of accountants.

Lloyds appears, however, to be having more success with some of the other services it offers to small businesses. The bank provides a business advisory service to small and medium-sized firms. The service is staffed by regional teams of bank managers who advise on "improving financial planning and control as an aid to business growth".

A manager spends four to five days at a company and provides it with a detailed report of his conclusions. The first visit is a fact-finding mission, but follow-up visits have to be paid for.

Barclays also offers a free business advisory service for its customers. To non-customers there is a charge sufficient to cover costs, but this is waived if the business subsequently transfers its account to Barclays. The service is designed for companies with a turnover exceeding £100,000 and the bank looks into areas such as costing, asset management and book-keeping.

Since 1973 when the scheme started Barclays has carried out 23,000 visits to companies but, as one spokesman said, "the difficulty is persuading people they need help".

The Midland's service is geared to companies with a turnover of between £250,000 and £5 million. Midland has visited 320 businesses in the two years that its scheme has been in operation. On average about five days are spent with a company and the reports are between 60 and 70 pages long. The scheme is designed "for those companies who are identified by the local bank manager as capable of expanding". Midland's service again is free for customers.

Non-customers are charged £300 a day unless they transfer their account to the bank. In the new year Midland will launch a new range of

booklets and a video designed to help those businesses with a turnover of less than £15,000.

Booklets also form an important part of National Westminster's small firms information package. National Westminster does not offer business advisory service as such. A spokesman explained: "We provide our financial guidance and advice through our branches, by supporting local enterprise agencies, issuing booklets, and encouraging the involvement of the companies' own advisers."

Whatever form any of the banks' assistance takes, all advice is given purely by their managers. To obtain more independent and broad-based business advice, small businesses often turn to management consultants.

John Lindsay, vice-chairman of the Management Consultants' Association, says small businesses can benefit from a consultant's advice in three main areas - first, to provide business plans, secondly, to assist with market research, and thirdly, to advise on management succession.

"It is not commonly realized, however, that the Government will itself provide free consult-

Lists of approved consultants offered

tancy advice to small businesses, defined as those with less than 200 employees. The Small Firms' Service, run by the Department of Trade and Industry, also provides lists of approved consultants all over Britain.

The first two days of advice is free and, a spokesman said, "Not many companies require any more time than this". The Department of Trade and Industry administers the Business Improvement Service, which in England has been allocated £40 million by the EEC to provide assistance to small businesses in the steel, shipbuilding and textile closure areas in the country.

The department can offer lists of approved consultants who investigate various aspects of the small business, and the Government will pay part of the bill.

If a consultant reports on market research or feasibility projects, the department will pay 70 per cent of the costs.

For advice on marketing strategy, management and financial services, computer applications or other consultancy work, 50 per cent of the cost will be paid. However, the department's maximum contribution is £500.

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Susan Fieldman

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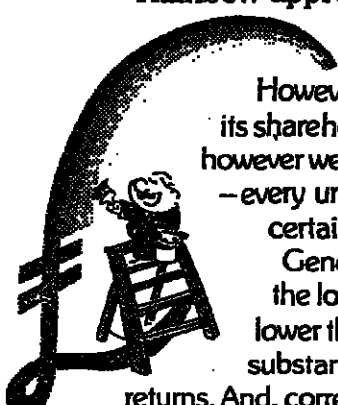
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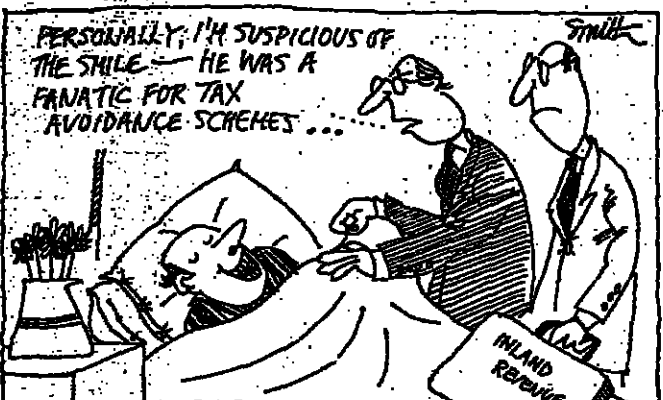
One of life's little pleasures is getting one up on the tax man. This passionate desire to hand over as little as possible to the Inland Revenue has encouraged a climate of tax avoidance, exploited by pedlars of avoidance schemes.

One area which has attracted more than its fair share of attention from the scheme-weavers is Capital Transfer Tax. CTT avoidance schemes have been heavily and successfully marketed, mostly by insurance companies, but there is now grave concern that the Inland Revenue is preparing a major assault on them.

The source of the near-panic was a small paragraph tucked away in a letter from the Inland Revenue to the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. The accountants had asked for some clarification of the Revenue's attitude to inheritance trusts, something of a generic phrase describing one branch of CTT avoidance schemes.

The Revenue replied: "The widening nature of the term 'inheritance trusts' makes it difficult to give the confirmation you seek. The term can be used rather loosely in the context of insurance schemes and, while some of these may be regarded as not open to challenge, others are, and cases will be going to the Special Commissioners in due course."

What the Revenue did not say was which schemes were



safe and which ones might be open to challenge.

The industry's consensus view was that the scheme which the Revenue was preparing to attack was the old "death-bed scheme" which had been sold principally by Albany Life.

The scheme is no longer available. However, this is far from a cast-iron guarantee that the other types of schemes will be acceptable to the Revenue.

Philip Hardman, specialist tax partner with accountants Thornton Baker, believes this uncertainty is a sufficient incentive for taxpayers to steer well clear for the time being.

He said: "In the present climate you are best advised to leave these schemes alone. It may not have been the Revenue's intention to create this uncertainty but that is exactly what they have done."

There are three main "inheritance trust" schemes. Under the "loan arrangement" scheme

the donor sets up a trust for the benefit of others. The donor makes an interest-free loan to the trustees, repayable on demand. The trustees then invest the borrowed money in a single premium-linked endowment bond from which the donor can make annual tax-free withdrawals.

The "discounted gift" scheme requires the donor to make a gift to a trust which he effectively controls and from which he will receive income until death. By using two insurance policies, an endowment bond and term assurance, which mature only when the donor reaches his 105th birthday, the value of the gift for CTT purposes is discounted.

The third type is a straightforward gift of anything up to £67,000 (the current starting point for CTT) into a trust. The £67,000 is exempt from CTT and all the future capital growth is outside the estate.

There is clearly some element of artificiality and although the insurance companies which market these schemes argue that they are acceptable because the Revenue agrees the rates of discounts which are applied, most tax accountants believe the assumption is too simplistic. The coast is far from clear.

Accountants Dearden Farrow, who prefer "back-to-back" arrangements, and have published a new booklet, *A Capital Idea*, which looks at the use of life assurance in estate planning. "There are no core-all arrangements by which a potential liability to Capital Transfer Tax can be instantly conjured away. Any schemes which purport to do this should be avoided - the Revenue is attacking them and will almost certainly win."

The firm is also sceptical about the standard of some of the sales brochures offered by the insurance companies which are not "shining examples of clarity". Dearden Farrow's advice, rightly, is to seek a professional opinion.

The principles of law on which many of the schemes are based are highly complex and technical and many believe all those inheritance trusts are open to challenge under existing legislation.

The crucial question of whether the inheritance trust schemes are immune from Revenue attack still remains unanswered. The fact is that no one knows. It is fair to say that if the Revenue attacks these schemes it will be as the result of a specific policy decision

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155-194	22.5	24,450	45	38,900	
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rather than on the whim of a keen tax inspector.

Given the large numbers of people who are already tied in to inheritance trust schemes it might be too inefficient for the Revenue to clamp down on them on a scheme-by-scheme taxpayer-by-taxpayer method.

A more likely course of action, if the Revenue intends to attack the inheritance trust scheme out of business, is for it to seek changes in the tax rules to render them ineffective. Until the intentions of the Revenue are clarified the inheritance trust schemes should still be avoided.

Ian Griffiths

BUSINESS EXPANSION

Another wine-backed business expansion scheme was launched this week. However, this one, Sandell Vintners plc, has a number of features that distinguish it from other companies seeking direct finance under the Business Expansion Scheme.

The directors - James Farr, John Sandell, Stephen Browett, David Hamilton and Dr Adrian Schepe - are putting £20,000 of their own money into the company. If the maximum subscription of £800,000 is reached, this will actually give them 20 per cent of the company. The directors are paying 10p a share, while everyone else is paying £1.

But the directors' shares, as a proportion of the equity of the company, will diminish if the profitability does not reach a certain level.

In effect, if the pre-tax profits in both 1989 and 1990 do not reach £300,000, the directors' shareholding is reduced by 10 per cent for every £50,000 shortfall.

Although the directors are committed to achieving high profits, if they want to retain their capital, they are nevertheless being handsomely rewarded in the interim, in the form of income.

The principal beneficiaries are the

More wine men on the investment trail

three directors who also have a controlling interest in an existing, separate wine-making business, called Farr Vintners Ltd.

These directors have agreed to provide their services, which include considerable expertise and contacts in the wine trade, in return for which Farr Vintners, their company, receive:

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● 25 per cent of the net profits of the company as defined in the relevant directors' service agreement.

● £20,000 a year, index-linked, for "all business and financial administration for the company".

While it is obvious that the company's success depends largely on

the capabilities of the directors who are receiving this remuneration, the level of remuneration and the several ways in which the directors are to receive it should be noted by potential investors.

If the maximum subscription is achieved and the wine stock is turned over more than three times in a year - a level which sponsor Crestcourt Securities considers likely - then Farr Vintners will be receiving the £75,000 management fee, £20,000 administrative fee, and £96,000 as a 4 per cent share of turnover.

This works out at £191,000 a year - and does not include the 25 per cent share of net profits that Farr Vintners is taking nor does it take into account the fact that both the management and administrative fees are described in the prospectus as "initial" and so may well be increased in future years.

Dr Schepe, a director of Sandell Vintners and also of Crestcourt Securities, points out that the particular directors concerned "are among the leading wine brokers in the country".

He says: "They are absolute experts, receiving no fringe benefits and going

to devote a very considerable amount of time and energy to the company."

He considers that, in the light of projected profits, investors are actually paying a bargain price for their shares.

● The Thames Valley Business Expansion Fund is looking for at least £250,000 to invest in local Thames Valley enterprises. The managers of the fund, Burlington Investments, are not going to take any options in the shares of the companies they select, because they say they do not want to dilute the companies' equity.

Instead they will charge the companies directly for investigative and general financial services. They will also keep the interest on the uninvested money in the funds.

Burlington says it has already identified a number of potential companies and will start making investments after January 31 if the minimum of £250,000 is reached.

The team making the final decision on suitable investments includes Sir Charles Villiers, chairman of British Steel - this looks good for the fund as Sir Charles would not like his name associated with unsuccessful investments.

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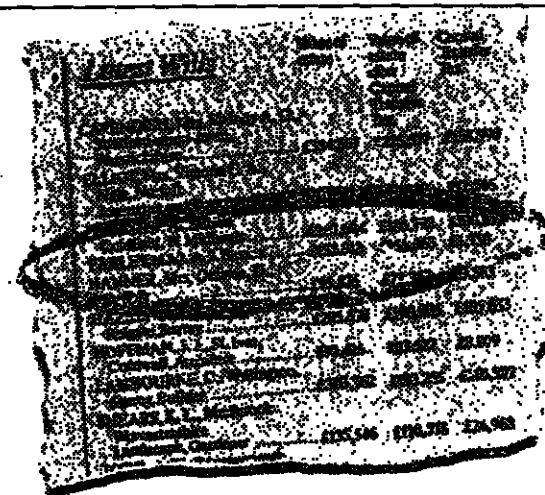
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FOOTBALL: UNITED'S CHAMPIONSHIP LEAD IN DANGER OF DWINDLING FURTHER

Forecasts could backfire as Liverpool close the points gap

By Clive White

Football, as some managers never grow weary of telling us, is a funny game. Who, outside the boundaries of SW6 and E13, would have forecast at the start of the season that Chelsea and West Ham United would be heading London's challenge for the championship, and that Tottenham Hotspur would be lagging as far down as thirteenth position?

Even "funnier" would have been the idea on the morning of November 9 that Manchester United, 10 points clear of the field, could be a mere two points ahead just two weeks later. But that will be the position at 4.40pm this afternoon if Liverpool succeed in inflicting upon Birmingham City an eighth consecutive defeat while Manchester United flat out on their face at Leicester. Suddenly, the team who were making a mockery of the first division title race may find that the joke is on them.

Not that they deserve ridicule. Ron Atkinson, their manager, reminds me of that song about the sports car driver who found that a bubble car kept gaining on him no matter how fast he went, until it eventually pulled alongside him and the driver asked: "Hey, fella, how do you get this thing out of second gear?"

Liverpool, of course, are no bubble car, unless the form that has carried them through six games - five wins and a draw at Old Trafford - is about to burst. Kenny Dalglish, their chief engineer, has developed a smooth-running, powerful unit which he sees no reason to tinker with today, thereby again excluding himself after manoeuvring Scotland in

midweek virtually on the World Cup starting grid.

By comparison, one defeat followed by one draw have been enough to make United look as though their season has screeched to a halt. If anyone is capable of an away win they ought to be, with 19 points out of a possible 24 this season. But Leicester have proved an awkward enough obstacle to Liverpool in recent years and today it should be a moving one with Cunningham, of England and Real Madrid fame, making his Leicester debut on the wing.

Cunningham, who is on loan from Marseilles, showed some of his old razzle-dazzle for the reserves in midweek. He is the sort of player close to Atkinson's heart, and, indeed, had a spell with United three seasons ago. Atkinson will be without his own wing wizard, Barnes, who, like Cunningham, once did "line duty" at the Hawthorns.

Chelsea and West Ham, fourth and fifth respectively, should be ready to benefit from any breakdown among the leaders. West Ham take themselves to Coventry hoping to extend an unbeaten run of 13 League games.

It will be the last game for a while for the Hammer, who takes himself off down under for the World Cup return tie; not soon enough, though, for Don Mackay, the Coventry City manager, who must think he cannot win, figuratively speaking, at least. When Mackay wanted McAvennie but was told he could not have him.

Chelsea, who are unbeaten in five games, have Glasgow and will be replaced by Bradley, Birch or Norton.

Coventry (15) v W Ham (4) Having faced Rush and Hardin in his first two games Coventry's Rodgers, who continues in Kilmarnock's absence, now confronts McAvennie. Regis returns to the squad after missing four games. West Ham are unchanged.

Everton (6) v N Forest (10) Everton will be unchanged unless there is a reaction to Southall's injury. Forest, however, are without Gough (injured), Birtles (pulled hamstring) and Carr, who is rested. Into the squad comes McNulty, who will play. Bowyer and Robertson.

Leicester (20) v Man U (1) Hogg returns from suspension for United. Barnes is unfit so Strachan moves to the wing and McGrath comes into midfield. Cunningham makes his debut for Leicester after 10 weeks ago, could return for Newcastle.

Man C (18) v Newcastle (8) City await a test on Davies's hamstring injury. Simpson starts, when Wharton, who had a cartilage operation 10 weeks ago, could return for Newcastle.

Oxford (19) v Ipswich (21) Halworth, preferred to Grew, makes his debut in the Ipswich goal in place of the



Cunningham makes his Leicester debut after impressing in reserves

Dalglish out of World Cup match Contrast of style in Parkhead classic

By Hugh Taylor

Three of Scotland's most notable players have been left out of the 19 strong party announced yesterday by Alex Ferguson, the manager, for the second leg of the world cup qualifying match with Australia in Melbourne on December 4 (Hugh Taylor). They are Kenny Dalglish, Gordon Strachan, and Jim Bell. The first two have been ruled out because of club commitments while Bell had a cartilage injury which will put him out of action for several weeks.

Dalglish, who will have to delay the celebrations for his hundredth birthday, was praised by the manager for a "first-class job" in the first leg at Hampden which Scotland won 2-0. "But," added Mr Ferguson, "he felt that as player-manager he could not miss Liverpool games at this crucial period in the league."

He revealed that although Strachan would not be available to leave with the rest of the party on Wednesday, he would be released by Manchester United to join the Scots in Australia in the event of an emergency. "However, we have a strong and flexible pool," the manager said, "and I believe we have plenty of cover without having to end out an SOS to home."

Soonest, the Scotland captain, will also be missing when the party flies off next week. As his club, Sampdoria, are playing only three days before the match with Australia, he will travel solo from Italy to Melbourne. Gorm, the young goalkeeper, has also been left with his club, Oldham Athletic, and Money of St Mirren takes over as the game leaves the new comers are Cooper and McKinnon.

SCOTLAND SQUAD: A. Leighton (Aberdeen), R. Gough (Dundee United), M. McGuffee (Aberdeen), S. Nicol (Liverpool), A. Dickson (Glasgow), M. McLeod (Glasgow), M. Johnston (Glasgow), D. Cooper (Rangers).

The appearance of two contrasting pairs of strikers should ensure the goals necessary to crown what promises to be one of the most attractive matches of the season when Celtic meet Hibernian at Parkhead this afternoon.

While Celtic field Johnston and McGhee, the most expensive partnership in the country, Hibernian possess in the young Durne and Cowan an even more feared and presently more effective combination.

Hibernian, undefeated in their past nine Premier Division games, are playing with confidence and showing more than a few glimpses of their attacking side.

The leaders, Aberdeen, should be too good at Paisley for St Mirren, who have failed to win a league match for three weeks. But Alex Ferguson, their manager, points out that the champions' away record is unimpressive, with only two victories in seven games and he is demanding a vast improvement.

Aberdeen have suffered a severe blow in the loss of Bell, their international midfielder player who may be out of action for at least a month because of injury. Durne, who has been slipping but they do not fear Rangers, their visitors at Dens Park. Not only have Rangers been inconsistent, they have suffered a series of set-backs against Dundee, including a 2-1 defeat at home and a beating at Ibrox which brought to an abrupt end their run of success in the early season.

Rangers bring back the promising

Fleck in the attack but they will have to show improvement for last week when they lost humiliatingly to Heart of Midlothian if they are to take even a point. Hearts, whose recovery has been just as dramatic as that of their Edinburgh neighbours, Hibernian, should continue their surge up the league table at the expense of Motherwell who, however, are by no means as ineffective as their lowly position suggests.

Indeed, when the clubs last met, Motherwell took the honours and they were also unlucky only to draw with Aberdeen last week.

Clydebank, who are fighting gallantly but are still sorely hit by injury, meet at home a Dundee United side, who are seeking a good result before their UEFA Cup tie with the outstanding Swiss side Neuchâtel, and are playing well enough to obtain it.

Francis on the move Gerry Francis, the former England captain, will play his last game for Bristol Rovers at home to Cardiff City today. Francis, the non-division club, ties to Greece next week for talks with two clubs.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Hutchings has extra incentive to win again

By Pat Butcher

Whether the weather cools down, Tim Hutchings wants up. Despite dominating the British winter cross-country season for the last three years, highlighted by a second place in the world championships in 1984, the only time Hutchings has been able to carry that form through to the summer was when he finished fourth in the Olympic 5,000 metres in Los Angeles, and he almost missed selection for that through one of a multitude of summer injuries.

He said an "inexplicable" loss of form this summer - "the worst in four years" - wasn't injured, just exhausted all the time, he said yesterday. But after a rest through out September he got back into training with a will, and he is looking for his third consecutive win at the weekend today, in the McVitie's Challenge.

The middle-distance race that Gateshead inaugurated a decade ago, and which enticed even Scottish Coe, has been dropped. The senior race has been reduced to 6,900 metres, not quite four and a half miles, in order, say the organizers, that the British internationals will not over-extend themselves at this early stage of the season.

Although Hutchings feels it may be a little short today, he still thinks that the English national championships at nine miles is too long, particularly since it is held three weeks before the world championships on March 22 in Switzerland. "I'd like a good run in Switzerland," he said, "but I'm not sure I can do it. I'm a major prop of my argument for being pre-selected for the world championships, especially since I'm stating publicly for the selectors five months in advance that the world championships is my priority for this winter."

Principal opposition for Hutchings today will come from his England A team colleagues, David Lewis, Mike McLeod and Julian Goater, and the Scottish champion, Nat Muir. Steve Jones may find the distance too short for someone who is accustomed to the marathon. Steve Bruns, who is back to his form of four years ago, and who Jones predicts will be the top Briton this year, is unavailable for today's race.

In the women's race, Carol Haigh cannot attempt to emulate Hutchings with her third successive victory, because she is injured. But she is expected to be in excellent road form recently and should improve on her third and second places of the last two years.

TENNIS

McEnroe faces tough opener

Melbourne (Reuters) - John McEnroe assured the Australian Open of one of its strongest ever fields when he confirmed yesterday that he would play in the championships starting at Kooyonga on Monday.

McEnroe, yet to win a grand slam event this year, is seeded second behind the world No. 1, Ivan Lendl, but faces a difficult opening match against Bill Scanlon, who beat him at the 1983 US Open.

If the seedings work out, McEnroe, a 1981 semi-finalist here, will contest a final place with the French Open champion Mats Wilander, of Sweden, who is aiming for his third consecutive Australian Open title. Lendl, Czechoslovakia's US open champion, is scheduled to meet Boris Becker, seeded fourth, in the other semi-final.

SEEDINGS: Men's singles 1, Lendl (2); 2, McEnroe (US); 3, Wilander (Sw); 4, Becker (FR); 5, Scammon (US); 6, Lendl (Sw); 7, J. McEnroe (Sw); 8, Mats Wilander (Sw); 9, Davis (US); 10, B. Becker (Sw); 11, T. Smith (US); 12, P. F. Schmitt (Sw); 13, H. R. Panatta (It); 14, J. McEnroe (Sw); 15, J. McEnroe (Sw); 16, J. McEnroe (Sw); 17, J. McEnroe (Sw); 18, J. McEnroe (Sw); 19, J. McEnroe (Sw); 20, J. McEnroe (Sw); 21, J. McEnroe (Sw); 22, J. McEnroe (Sw); 23, J. McEnroe (Sw); 24, J. McEnroe (Sw); 25, J. McEnroe (Sw); 26, J. McEnroe (Sw); 27, J. McEnroe (Sw); 28, J. McEnroe (Sw); 29, J. McEnroe (Sw); 30, J. McEnroe (Sw); 31, J. McEnroe (Sw); 32, J. McEnroe (Sw); 33, J. McEnroe (Sw); 34, J. McEnroe (Sw); 35, J. McEnroe (Sw); 36, J. McEnroe (Sw); 37, J. McEnroe (Sw); 38, J. McEnroe (Sw); 39, J. McEnroe (Sw); 40, J. McEnroe (Sw); 41, J. McEnroe (Sw); 42, J. McEnroe (Sw); 43, J. McEnroe (Sw); 44, J. McEnroe (Sw); 45, J. McEnroe (Sw); 46, J. McEnroe (Sw); 47, J. McEnroe (Sw); 48, J. 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Saturday

Weekend television and radio programmes
Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

Sunday

BBC 1

- 8.30 What-a-Mess. Written and presented by Frank Muir (r). 8.35 Children of Fire Mountain. Episode eight of the 13-part drama set in New Zealand at the turn of the century (r).
- 9.00 Saturday SuperStore, managed by Mike Read. Among the customers are Bobby Robson, Sir Kenneth Williams, and the Waves and Rolf Harris. Plus John Craven on the latest news on yesterday's Children in Need appeal.
- 12.15 Grandstand introduced by Desmond Lynam. The line-up is: 12.20 Football Focus; 12.40, 1.10 and 1.42 Racing from Newbury; 1.00 News; 1.25, 2.00 and 4.15 Snooker; the Coral UK Professional Championship from Preston; 3.30 and 3.55 Rugby League; Halifax v Hull Kingston Rovers; 3.50 Half-time scores and reports; 4.40 Final score.
- 5.05 News with Jan Leeming. Weather, 5.15 Sports/Regional news.
- 5.20 The Tripods. The first episode of the science fiction serial and the children of the circus accept Will's and Beanie's invitation to return with them to the Free Men in the White Mountains (CeeFax).
- 5.45 Terry and June. The last of the current series and Terry is jealous when June receives a letter from a childhood sweetheart and arranges to meet him.
- 6.15 The Noel Edmonds Late Late Breakfast Show with Bryan Ferry. The Whirly Wheeler, Samantha Duff, attempts a dare-devil balancing act.
- 7.05 Bob's Full House. Electronic bingo game presented by Bob Monkhouse. This week's competitors are Dean Learoyd from Doncaster, Sue Graves of Westcliff-on-Sea, Stephan Flannigan from Walsall and Tony Torrey of Beckenham (CeeFax).
- 7.45 Juliet Bravo. Inspector Longton receives a visit from an old friend, an army major, who wants her help in finding a corporal who has deserted (CeeFax).
- 8.35 Only Fools and Horses. Granddad dies and at his wake a long-lost uncle arrives to be met with the utmost suspicion by Del and Rodney and the rest of the Trotter clan (r).
- 9.05 News and sport. With Jan Leeming. Weather, 9.15 Sports/Regional news.
- 9.20 A Made-for-television drama about a businessman who becomes the chief suspect in a child murder case. Coincidence, circumstantial evidence and impetuous assumptions lead the police to find him, along with an unrelenting television news team. Directed by Noel Black.
- 10.55 Championship Snooker. David Vine introduces coverage of the Coral United Kingdom Championship.
- 12.35 Weather.

TV-am

- 6.55 Good Morning Britain, introduced by Mike Morris. Weather at 6.55; news at 7.00; regional report at 7.05; and sport at 7.55.
- 7.30 The Wake Awake Club for children with news and weather at 8.25.
- ITV/LONDON
- 9.25 TV includes Sue Robble talking to Midge Ure; plus, videos, cartoons and competitions. 11.00 Tenthredin. Science fiction series (3-11.30 Mr Smith. Adventures of an almost human orangutan).
- 12.00 News with Alastair Stewart.
- 12.05 Self and Greaves deliberate on the football scene and other sports. 12.30 Wrestling from Coventry Miners' Welfare Centre, Leicestershire.
- 1.20 Alvin. Stung by Hawk goes in pursuit of his brother he thought was dead.
- 2.15 International Cross Country: The Mole's Challenge, from Glastonbury.
- 3.15 Film: Carry on Camping (1969) starring Sid James, Kenneth Williams, Joan Sims and Barbara Windsor. High links at a nudist camp. Directed by Gerald Thomas.
- 4.45 Results Service.
- 5.00 News with Alastair Stewart.
- 5.05 Blockbusters.
- 5.35 The A-Team. The indestructible quartet help another worthy cause threatened by evil.
- 6.30 Child's Play presented by Michael Aspin. Westerner Ian MacKintosh and television presenter Sue Robble attempt to decipher everyday words from children's descriptions.
- 7.00 Games for a Laugh. The last programme of the series. Includes a special film about Richard Crompton's rascally William with David Steel playing the part of a policeman.
- 7.45 3-2-1. Game show presented by Ted Rogers. The guests include Gloria Gaynor and the Jackson 5.
- 8.45 News and Sport.
- 9.00 The Professionals. Bodie and Doyle battle with a KGB killer team when a CIs operative unexpectedly rises from the grave (r).
- 10.00 Time for Murder: The Lightning Always Strikes. By Michael Roberts. Claire Bloom, Charles Dance and Trevor Howard star in this mystery involving a tutor who arrives at a household at a time when tragedy is about to strike.
- 11.00 LWT News headlines followed by a special film about a father who, having lost his job and his wife, contemplates suicide. His young son tries every rule he knows to prevent his father from killing himself. Directed by Peter Levin.
- 12.45 News from London. The rock group Lita in concert.
- 1.40 Ace Crawford, Private Eye. Comedy detective series starring Tim Conway.
- 2.05 Night Thoughts.



Claire Bloom, Charles Dance, Trevor Howard: Time for Murder (LWT area, 10.00 pm). Roy Hudd: The Puppet Man (Channel 4, 6.00 pm)

BBC 2

- 9.00 CeeFax. 12.15 Open University. Until 1.30.
- 1.30 Film: The Christmas Carol (1946) starring Tom Conway and Martha O'Driscoll. A young lawyer, hoping to become District Attorney, faces trouble when he and his girlfriend become the number one suspects after the murder of the man's arch enemy. Directed by Robert Wise.
- 2.30 Film: Not as a Stranger (1955) starring Robert Mitchum, Olivia de Havilland, Frank Sinatra and Gloria Graham. Drama about a dedicated medical student who marries a rich nurse in order to continue his studies. But marrying for money doesn't bring happiness and he soon begins to lose the affection of his wife and his friends. This film marked the directorial debut of Stanley Kramer.
- 4.40 Championship Snooker. David Vine introduces coverage of the Coral United Kingdom Championship.
- 6.20 Deutsch direkt Part six of the German conversation course for beginners (r).
- 6.45 World Chess Championship. Jeremy James reviews the contest between Karpov and Kasparov.
- 7.30 News and Sport. With Jan Leeming. Weather.
- 7.45 Saturday Review presented by Russell Davies. With African novelist Amos Brink, Salman Rushdie and, with their views on the financial prospects of the South Bank arts complex, Tony Banks, Luke Fildner and Ronald Grierson.
- 8.35 Tippet at Malvern. A tribute to the composer, who he spends a week as a guest of the Malvern Festival.
- 9.45 Outside the Window. A documentary examining the impact of the last two decades of reform in the Roman Catholic Church on priests and nuns. Interviewed: all over the world.
- 10.35 Rally Report 85. A preview of the Lombard Rally which starts tomorrow and lasts until Thursday.
- 10.55 Film: The Mattel Affair (1972) starring Gian Maria Volontè. Drama about the suspicious death in 1968 of the powerful Italian oil magnate, Enrico Mattel, and of the disappearance of a journalist investigating the case. Directed by Francesco Rosi (subtitled). Ends at 12.50.

CHANNEL 4

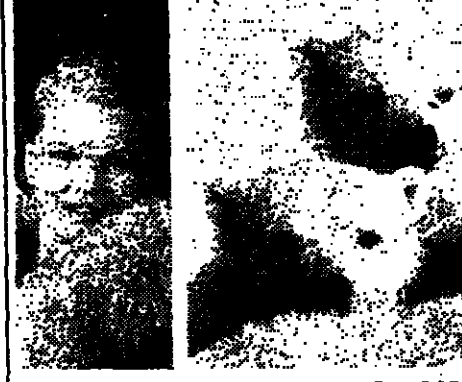
- 12.50 Channel Four Racing from Ayr. The 1.00, 1.30, 2.00 and 2.30 races.
- 2.45 Film: The Chocolate Soldier (1941) starring Nelson Eddy, Risa Stevens and Nigel Bruce. Romantic musical about a man who, suspecting that his wife is being a burglar, disguises himself as a Russian officer and begins to woo her once again. Directed by Roy Del Ruth.
- 4.35 Countdown.
- 5.05 Brookside. (Oracle) (r).
- 6.00 The Puppet Man. Part one of a new dramatized documentary series starring Roy Hudd as puppeteer and author Walter Wilkins.
- 6.40 World of Animation. Presented by Richard Evans.
- 7.00 News summary and weather followed by 7 Days. Robert Harold McCusker about taking action that is designed to jeopardize the reconciliation between Northern and Southern Ireland on the 40th anniversary of the Nuremberg trials a former Japanese prisoner of war talks about forgiveness; and Mary Midgely discusses her book Evolution as a Religion.
- 7.30 The Playhouse presented by Heather Couper. This evening's programme deals with Earth. With Jeremy Charles and Cambridge professor, Drummond Matthews.
- 8.00 Beats of the Heart. Tonight's first of two programmes tracing the migration of the Romany people from India to Europe. The story is told in the gypsies' own words and myths.
- 9.00 Upstairs, Downstairs. The servants go on holiday to a remote fishing lodge in Scotland (Oracle) (r).
- 10.00 Hill Street Blues. Lucy Bates is shattered when she realises she is to blame for a prostitute's attempted suicide, while Joyce Davidson plans an ambitious surprise for Furlio.
- 11.00 Who Dares Wins... Off-beat comedy series.
- 11.45 Film: The Invisible Ray (1936) starring Boris Karloff as a scientist who becomes lethal to touch after coming into contact with a radioactive meteorite. With Bela Lugosi. Directed by Lambert Hillyer. Ends at 11.10.

BBC 1

- 8.55 Play School 8.15 Articles of Faith. Rediscovering religious belief 8.30 This is the Day. A service from the Columbanus Community of Reconciliation in Belfast.
- 10.00 Asian Magazine. To mark the first anniversary of the death of poet Faiz Ahmed Faiz, the programme is devoted to his work. 10.30 Spanish conversation course (r). 10.55 Deutsch direkt Lesson seven of the German for beginners course (r). 11.30 Wizard Woodwork. Part two - bunk beds (r).
- 12.10 See Hear! The 100th edition and the programme comes from the Coventry Club where the members are standing an Old Time Music Hall.
- 12.35 Farming. Philip Wrixon examines the possibilities of using straw as an animal feed 12.55 Weather.
- 1.00 This Week Next Week. Lord Scammell discusses the policing of inner cities with Geoffrey Dear, Chief Constable of the West Midlands. A special item on Sunday trading 1.55 Cartoon. 2.00 EastEnders. (CeeFax) (r).
- 3.00 Championship Snooker. David Vine introduces coverage of the Coral United Kingdom Championship.
- 5.30 Oliver Twist. Episode seven and Bill Sikes leaves Oliver, thinking him dead, but he is badly injured and is arrested for being a burglar's accomplice (CeeFax).
- 6.00 The Liver Birds. Nerys Hughes and Elizabeth Estensen star in this comedy about two girls living in Liverpool (r).
- 6.30 News with Jan Leeming. Weather.
- 6.40 News. Praise for Thanksgiving with Americans living in London (CeeFax).
- 7.15 Championship Snooker. Further coverage of the play at the Guild Hall, Preston, in the Coral United Kingdom Championship.
- 7.45 Howard's Way. The final episode and shocks abound for the Howard family. Tony Blair discovers that Shelley is a shady character while Lynne receives a nasty surprise when she turns up at Charles Fenn's yacht (CeeFax).
- 8.35 Last of the Summer Wine. Foggy offers to help Ivy when she decides to have a day away from the place, instead of having to close the place down because of her lack of faith. Her nephew who entrusts the premises to the last of the current series of repeats (CeeFax).
- 9.05 Star Quality: What Mad Pursuit, starring Carroll Baker and Paul Daneman. Noel Coward's story about an English novelist on a tour of the United States to promote his new book who accepts an offer of a quiet weekend only to discover that it is anything but quiet.
- 10.05 News with Jan Leeming. Weather.
- 10.20 Everyman: After the Torture. A documentary about torture victims and their attempts to readjust after they have been released.
- 11.10 Championship Snooker. Highlights of the day's games in the Coral United Kingdom Championship.
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TV-am

- 6.55 Good Morning Britain begins with A Thought for a Sunday; 7.00 Cartoon; 7.25 Are You Awake Yet? The What's News quiz; 7.55. Jan Barrett's Pick of the Week at 8.10; news headlines at 8.27.
- 8.30 The Sunday Programme presented by David Frost. His guests include David Healey, Lord Chalfont and the vice-chairman of CND, Dan Smith.
- ITV/LONDON
- 9.25 Wake Up London. The Vicious Boys discover a high-tech swimming pool. 9.35 Woody and Friends. Two cartoons. 9.45 Yippy Yappy Yahoey. Cartoon.
- 10.00 Morning Worship from Chelmsford Cathedral. 11.00 Link. How 47-year-old John Prestwich has coped for the past 30 years with paralysis caused by polio. 11.30 The Square Mile. John Plender explores Lloyd's of London (r).
- 12.00 Weekend World. With communist insurgency against President Marcos of the Philippines lead to a second Vietnam for the United States? 1.00 Police 5. Shaw Taylor with more clues to unsolved cases in the London area. 1.15 The Smurfs. Cartoons (r). 1.30 Jamie Loves Chachi. Comedy series.
- 2.00 The Human Factor. Sue Jay with two families who have either had their child tormented or threatened with forcible adoption.
- 2.30 LWT News headlines followed by "The Gammock" (1953) starring Audie Murphy and Susan Cabot. A cowboy falls for the daughter of the man he is hired to chase from his ranch. Directed by Nathan Levin.
- 4.00 Gold Pannies. Drama serial set in the Australian goldfields.
- 4.30 Bullseye. Darts and general knowledge game.
- 5.00 Sunday Sunday. Gloria Hunniford's guests are Jean Simmons, Wendy Craig, Des O'Connor and the Beatles. The subject: Psychoanalysis - does it ever cure anyone?
- 6.00 Albion Market. Will Julian leave or stay? The decision is his (Oracle).
- 6.30 News.
- 6.40 Highway. Sir Harry Secombe visits Cardiff.
- 7.15 Bruce Forsyth's Play Your Cards Right. Game show.
- 7.45 The Second World of Airtight. The night presented by Denis Norden with Ron Brumby. More clips of howlers that were destined for the cutting room floor.
- 8.45 News with Alastair Stewart.
- 9.00 Dutch Girls. By William Boyd. Comedy about a Scottish public school hockey team's visit to the Netherlands. Noel Coward's story about an English novelist on a tour of the United States to promote his new book who accepts an offer of a quiet weekend only to discover that it is anything but quiet.
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Carroll Baker: What Mad Pursuit (BBC 1, 9.05 pm). And an Arctic trio from Kingdom of the Ice Bear (BBC 2, 7.15 pm)

BBC 2

- 9.00 CeeFax. 10.20 Open University. 11.25 CeeFax.
- 11.45 Championship. The Wonder Horse" (r). 12.10 Windmill. This week's edition includes archive extracts from Tomorrow's World, Badger Watch, and The Sky at Night.
- 1.10 States of Mind. Jonathan Miller in conversation with psychologist Professor Daniel Dornet. (r).
- 2.00 Ruby Special. Highlights of the Watsonians versus Hawick game.
- 2.30 Film: Plymouth Adventure (1952) starring Spencer Tracy as the captain of the Mayflower, taking Pilgrim Fathers from England to a new life in Cape Cod. Directed by Clarence Brown.
- 4.15 Under Sail: The Lovely Irene. A profile of the Bridgewater knot that is the only deep water British sailing freighter still in use.
- 4.35 Rachmaninov Masterclass. The third movement of Rachmaninov's Second Piano Concerto is played by Jorge Bolet.
- 5.20 Thinking Aloud. Bryan Magee in conversation with the anthropologist Professor Ernest Gellner and psychoanalyst Juliet Mitchell and Dr Anthony Storr. The subject: Psychoanalysis - does it ever cure anyone?
- 6.00 News Review. Subtitled.
- 6.30 The Money Programme. Bill Heward-Rowland on Japan on the country's 'buy foreign' campaign. Plus, a look at the charity business.
- 7.15 The Natural World: Kingdom of the Ice Bear. Part one of a three-part documentary series about the Ice Age.
- 8.10 Comrades. The second of 12 films about life in Russia. Tonight's subject is 18-year-old Valera Krylov who is doing his national service.
- 8.55 Rally Report 85. News of the opening stage of the Lombard RAC Rally.
- 9.05 Pawley Towers. When an unmarried couple want to share a room Basil is stunned by their lack of morals (r).
- 9.40 Film: Run, Christa, Run! (1984) starring Carmen Duncan and Michael Alkrens. Thriller about two people whose past lives as a West German Gestapo agent and a member of the IRA catch up with them as they seek shelter in Australia. Directed by Chris Langman.
- 11.10 Rally Report 85. Further report on the Lombard RAC Rally.
- 11.40 Music at Night. Michael Chabon and Kathryn Stott (piano) play Weber's Grand Duo Concertant (Final). Ends at 11.50.
- 12.55 Night Thoughts.

CHANNEL 4

- 1.05 Irish Angle - Hands. The craft of George Turley, a shoemaker with his own business in Nazas, Co. Kildare.
- 1.30 Face the Press. Yasir Arafat is questioned by Andrew Neil of The Sunday Times and John Bullock of the Daily Telegraph.
- 2.00 Pab's Programme. For children.
- 2.25 Film: First Love (1935) starring Deanna Durbin. A musical reworking of the Cinderella tale with Miss Durbin playing the role of an orphan who goes to live with her wealthy uncle and his family. With Robert Siodmak. Directed by Henry Koster.
- 4.00 Film: A-Hunting We Will Go (1942) starring Laurel and Hardy. Comedy with Stan and Ollie hired to accompany a coffin to Dayton, Ohio. Inside there is a ghost and a gangster hoping to claim an inheritance. Directed by Alfred Werker.
- 5.15 News summary and weather followed by The Business Programme, presented by Iain Cameron and Susan Simons. Peter Hobbard reports on the take-over battle for Matthew Brown and, if successful, what it would mean for the brewing industry.
- 6.00 American Football. The last game of the week is between the Chicago Bears and the Dallas Cowboys.
- 7.15 The Heart of the Dragon. The penultimate programme of the series on modern China examines the country's economy. The film explores China's changing attitudes to business and free enterprise (r).
- 8.15 The Jewel in the Crown. Episode ten and it is now 1945 and Colonel Lutyens has been released from prison camp. In Bombay, the British and Indian Military Intelligence is drawn by Ronald Merrick into a web of intrigue (Oracle) (r).
- 9.15 The Writing on the Wall. The fourth programme in the series studying the changes in British politics through the eyes of a two year period, 1974-1976, the time which included Harold Wilson's sudden resignation and the appointment of Jim Callaghan.
- 10.25 Film: The Crown (1972) starring Jean Simmons and George C. Scott. One of the more celebrated silents to come from Hollywood. In 1981 the film was restored and a musical score added by Carl Davis. It is the story of a family that ruled the world for 200 years and the poverty it brings. Directed by King Vidor. Ends at 12.20.

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Kinnock moves to oust key Militants

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when you get a Labour council in office and it's allowed to run wild."

Mr Tebbit agreed that Newcastle did not suffer the same difficulties with the Militants, but he added: "It does remind us, as Mr Kinnock has said, of what happens when you let these left-wingers get into control. You finish up hiring taxis to take round the redundancy notices, a very graphic phrase."

He also used the Labour left to explain some of the Government's difficulties over unemployment and inner city riots.

Mr Tebbit said that the Government needed the co-operation of everybody to combat unemployment. Something they had had in the North-east. "But if we had had a barmy bunch of union leaders and a barmy council led by a lunatic like Mr Hutton, and I believe Mr Kinnock is now suggesting psychiatric treatment for some of the people in Liverpool, there is nothing the Government can do to overcome that."

Questioned by one worried voter in Gateshead about the proposal to extend the issue of plastic bullets, Mr Tebbit told her: "Nobody wants those things, but if Mr Kinnock would sort out Mr Bernie Grant and throw him out of the Labour Party instead of encouraging him to stay in the Labour Party, that would make a great deal of difference because Mr Grant's remarks after the death of that policeman were not very helpful at all."

"Believe me, we do not want to use things like that."

But he indicated that the Government was not going to rush into action to save the city because it was essentially a problem created by the Labour Party, as Mr Kinnock had again conceded.

Mr Tebbit said: "He has got to make up his mind whether or not he is going to clean up the Labour Party. Presumably starting by booting out Mr Hutton and then moving over to Mr Bernie Grant and others of the same ilk."

"Of course, he'll have to look around the Parliamentary party too."

Tebbit photograph, page 3

Bulgarian twins more than a match



Mirror image: Kamelia Dmavska (left) and her twin sister Adriana during practice yesterday for today's international rhythmic gymnastics tournament at Wembley. The 16-year-old Bulgarians are among the most promising exponents of the sport, which involves performing handstands as well as gymnastic skills to music (Photograph: Chris Cole; preview page 35)

War comes to a hotel haven in Beirut

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"No pictures, no pictures," the television crew, although, in truth, the militants rather liked the attention. Seven more gunmen followed, all wearing red "Progressive Socialist Party" armbands. Outside the hotel lobby, a Shia Muslim "Amal" sniper continued to fire into the street from the roof of the Telephoto camera shop.

The gunmen fired back at the lobby, filled with blue smoke and the smell of cordite. "We want to get rid of these filthy people who want your money," the man with the kuffah shouted, adding cryptically - and significantly - that he was not a Palestinian.

He would not give his name, although his comrades called him Mustapha. He was, like

most Beirut gunmen, a frightened, shy, curious creature. Crouching by the back door, he gave his own justification for his melodramatic intrusion. "You people think we are monkeys because we have guns," he said, "but I have a degree from the Lebanese University. I am a professional man."

"These Amal people slapped my mother so I have to take a gun to defend her honour. My friend here," and here he pointed at a mustachioed 18-year-old wearing a black ski mask and holding a heavy M-16 rifle. "My friend here was beaten by Amal in the Marr Tower. Show the Englishman your scars." At which the thin youth put down his weapon, right there under fire, and pulled his sweater off his shoulder to show a series of livid marks on his chest.

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"You think we want to shoot with guns?" the man in the kuffah asked. You could hardly hear him for explosions outside and the cartridge cases skidding across the pavement.

He was not a Druze - like most of the progressive Socialist Party (PSP) - but a Sunni Muslim, a former guerrilla from the "Mourabitoun" (am-bushers) militia whom Amal theoretically wiped out on Syria's orders. The other gunmen were also Sunnis, taking their revenge on the Shias who have humiliated them, politically as well as physically, these past five months.

They spread out their ammunition on the marble floor and pushed it into spare clips like children playing games. They squatted at the Commodore doors as the glass fragmented

around them, firing their rifles at the roof of the Telephoto shop.

At which point, Mr Waite emerged from the downstairs lift, having been trapped in the hotel by the battles all night. He had earlier told the press that he had twice again met the kidnappers of the four American hostages held in Lebanon, and that he was making "progress" in his efforts to have them released. This time, he was even more reticent.

Amal and PSP tanks were reported to be firing at each other beside the ruins of Beirut's old Spinnery, a supermarket only three miles away, but the immensely tall figure of Mr Waite remained unmoved. "I have been listening," he said to his perplexed audience, "to some rather good Schubert."

Shia offensive, page 4

Heath on Britain's 'nationalist image'

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that Britain meant to leave other international agencies.

Mr George Foulkes, a Labour spokesman on foreign affairs, condemned *The Times* for "gross inaccuracies at some stage bordering on lies" about Unesco. That was not worthy of a newspaper with the history *The Times* had, he said.

He was supported by Mr Cyril Townsend, Conservative MP for Berkeleyside. But Sir Anthony Kershaw, Conservative MP for Stroud and chairman of the Foreign Affairs Select Committee, said he did not see why *The Times* and *The Guardian* should not campaign for Unesco if they so wished.

● *The Times* and its owner, Mr Rupert Murdoch, were attacked by Mr Tony Benn, the Labour left-winger, during the Unesco debate (the Press Association reports). Mr Benn said he was surprised there had been a sudden resurrection of the "quaint old idea" that *The Times* newspaper was fair.

"That idea died years ago, the idea that *The Times* somehow expects high standards, with Rupert Murdoch in charge, the man who owns *The Star*."

He criticized "the idea that Rupert Murdoch and *The Times* are other than scurrilous sheets reflecting the views of their proprietor. Come, come, I hope you do not have to say that again to get people to buy *The Times*."

Replying to Mr Raison's attack on Unesco, Mr Benn said: "What the minister means by personal rights is the right for Mr Murdoch to dominate the media of the Third World and not the right of the people there to have their own network of communication." It was "the right of the rich to dominate the media of the poor."

Parliament, page 4

Pentagon backs hypersonic jet

Washington (Reuters) - The Pentagon is to go ahead with a \$500-million programme to develop an engine for a hypersonic plane, capable of circling the globe in three or four hours.

It would fly at up to 12 times the speed of sound of 740 mph the spokeswoman said.

Letter from Assam

Horn of plenty for rhino poachers

The elephant grass in the Kaziranga National Park is 12ft tall and cuts from eight everything except a few yards of the narrow twisting trail - a dunda - left by elephants and rhinoceroses, both creatures of habit.

One of the forest guards stops, and points to a big footprint in the mud, smeared with blood. A few yards further on is an open patch where the animal stood for a few moments. A patch of darkening blood is beginning to attract flies.

"It looks as though one of the tribals from the locality has speared him in the leg," said my guide, the assistant conservator of forests, Mr E. Ali. Attacks on the wild animals in the park are not rare. A little further along the trampled dunda a huge pit, six ft long and three ft wide opens in the forest floor.

It used to be six or eight ft deep, but has been filled in by the forest guards. Here poachers hoped to trap an Asian rhinoceros, one of the rarest animals in the world, which makes its home in this park. The rare, one-horned rhino, is killed in the pits usually by breaking its neck in the fall, for the sake of the alleged medical and aphrodisiac qualities of its horn.

"We used to be able to supply some of the best rhino horn just from this park," said Mr Ali. "The rhinos which died naturally," the chief conservator of Assam's forests, Mr P. C. Das said. "But since the passing of the convention on the international trade in endangered species we have not been able to. The resulting shortage has increased the market for the poachers."

A kilo (2.2lb) of rhino horn fetches 192,000 rupees (£11,000), or around 5,000 rupees per lb. In 1984, the Chinese, who believe it to be a powerful agent, and Singapore which has not signed the convention is blamed for providing a channel for the trade.

According to Mr Ali, the poachers are occasionally in Nagas - insurgents from the nearby hill state, hoping to finance their rebellion, but more usually local entrepreneurs who use the hard-

pressed poor of the region as labour. We are close to a series of long thatched and bamboo huts - each hut houses about 40 people - where the local Missing tribesmen live just outside the park.

"The women, sitting there at their looms, or out in the fields, watch us as we come and go and alert their men," Mr Ali said. "They study our psychology, and they know we can't patrol all the park all of the time."

The pit is not the only method of killing rhinos in the park. Though fortunately the poachers lack the sophistication of the helicopter-borne poachers of Africa, many now carry guns. The rhino, though terrifyingly ugly of aspect, and seemingly heavily armoured, is in fact far rather a short-sighted herbivore, clomping on grass. Though his skin will harden to armour-plate toughness when he is dead, while he is alive it is so sensitive that he may be killed with a shotgun.

The convention outlawing the trade in rhino horns has also prevented the forest guards from keeping down the population of wild elephants by capturing and training them for domestic use. As a result, the number of deaths from rampaging wild elephants in the state has increased in the past four years, from 19 in 1981, when the convention became law, to 48 last year. So far this year 60 people have died.

"The elephants have a herd memory, and a matriarchal system. The old matriarch remembers the old grazing grounds of 35 years ago," Mr Das explained. "But those grounds have now disappeared under cultivation. She leads the herd to those grounds, and, especially at night, they raid crops and damage houses."

Kaziranga's success in bringing the one-horned rhino back from extinction - there were once over 1,000 of them in the park - has mainly been due to the peculiar climatic conditions of the Brahmaputra river flood basin. The park is 170 sq miles in size, running in a damp belt along the river edge, never more than 11 miles wide.

Michael Hamlyn

Today's events

Music
Works by Bach, Haydn, and Paderewski by the Maidstone Choral Union and Orchestra, All Saints, Chatham, 7.30.

Solution of Puzzle No 16,396

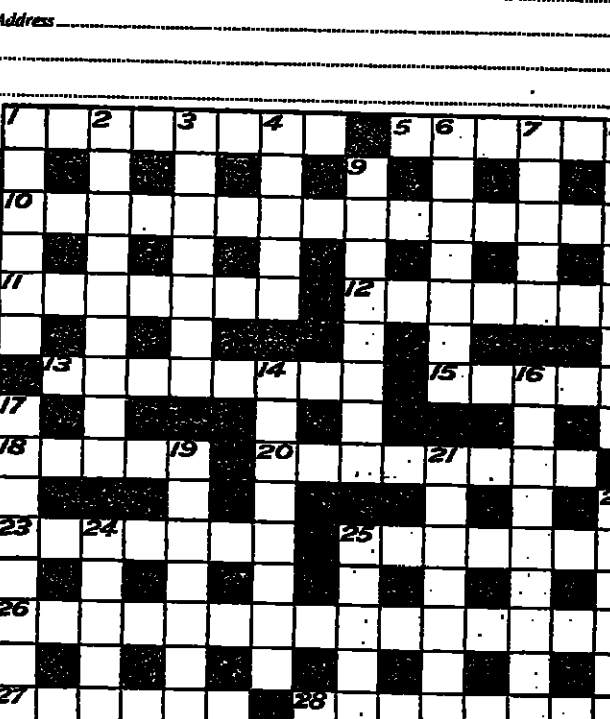


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A prize of The Times Atlas of World History will be given for the first three correct solutions opened next Thursday. Entries should be addressed to: The Times Crossword Competition, 12 Doley Street, London WC9 9JF. The winners and solution will be published next Saturday.

The winners of last Saturday's competition are: Mr G. C. Field, 795 Garratt Lane, London, SW17; Mrs N. W. Crocker, Wroldover, 24 Guildford Avenue, Guildford, Surrey; F. M. Howat, 102 Sudbury Court Drive, Harrow, Middlesex.

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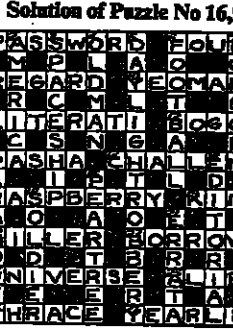
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 - Nick, the stonewaller, does not make it (6).
 - Intellectually bright University College in eye-opener (5).
 - Treasure-sleeker reported in region's trees here (5).

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Church, Maidstone, 7.30

Cardiff Festival of Music: concert by the London Symphony Orchestra, St David's Hall, Cardiff, 7.30.

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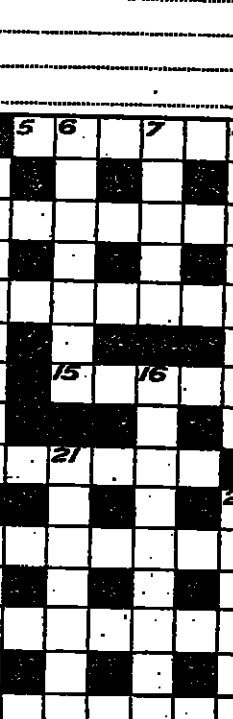


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Work by Beethoven by the

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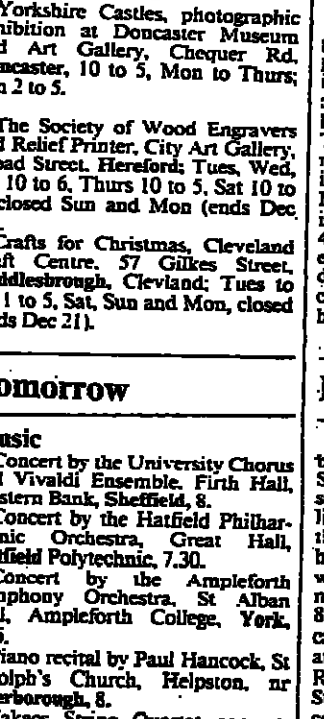


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In the garden

The sharp frosts and strong winds brought leaves down today, and with luck we should be able to gather them up quickly before they are too sodden to rake or sweep easily. On sloping paths or on steps, wet leaves are a hazard, and so is green, slippery algae. Keep these surfaces clear of leaves and apply an algicide - there are several in the garden shops.

Also have some sharp ashes or sand handy by the back and front doors to put on steps, paths and drives in case of ice or snow. Many local councils will supply salt for this purpose.

Try to keep leaves from fouling ornamental pools and stop feeding fish now.

Light is more important than heat for plants in a greenhouse in winter. That is why it is wise to site a new greenhouse running from west to east, with the door at the west end. This site it will be able to make the best use of the limited, low-angled winter and early spring sunshine. But from now on keep glass of greenhouses and frames scrupulously clean.

To save heat losses in a greenhouse, the interior with plastic sheeting - the "bubble type" is the most effective - leaving about a foot unlined at the top of the house under the ridge on each side. This allows warm air to rise and reduces risk of condensation, which in turn reduces the light coming in. Lining a greenhouse like this can, it is claimed, reduce heating costs by 45 per cent. Also fit draught-excluding strips to body-fitting doors or ventilators and seal any cracks between boards in wooden houses.

R.H.

Darlington bypass

Darlington bypass will be opened by Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Transport, on Monday, seven months early. The new road links the existing A66 trunk road to the east and south of the town and has been completed early despite the winter weather. The contract, worth more than £6 million, consists of 8.1m of maximum-width, single carriageway road with roundabouts at the intersections with Neasham Road, Yarm Road and the A66. The bypass will be opened to traffic on Monday, November 23, 1985, at 10.30 am. The bypass will be opened to traffic on Monday, November 23, 1985, at 10.30 am.

The pound

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Australia \$	2.20	2.20	2.20
Belgium F	36.36	36.36	36.36
Canada C	1.25	1.25	1.25
Denmark Kr	13.66	13.66	13.66
France F	6.55	6.55	6.55
Germany DM	2.36	2.36	2.36
Greece Dr	340.75	340.75	340.75
Hong Kong \$	7.80	7.80	7.80
India Rupee	47.50	47.50	47.50
Italy Lira	2036.27	2036.27	2036.27
Japan Yen	163.60	163.60	163.60
Netherlands Gld	2.20	2.20	2.20
New Zealand \$	1.53	1.53	1.53
Spain Ptas	166.64	166.64	166.64
Sweden Kr	4.66	4.66	4.66
Switzerland F	2.20	2.20	2.20
USA \$	1.53	1.53	1.53
Yugoslavia Dnr	136.73	136.73	136.73

Anniversaries

TODAY
Births: Franklin Pierce, 14th president of the USA, 1853-57, Hillsborough, New Hampshire, 1804; James Thomson, poet, author of *The City of Dreadful Night*, Port Glasgow, 1834; Manuel de Falla, composer, Cadix, 1876.
Deaths: Thomas Tallis, composer, Greenwich, 1585; Sir Arthur Wing Pinero, playwright, London, 1934; André Malraux, novelist and art historian, Paris, 1976.

TOMORROW
Births: Benedict Spinoza, philosopher, Amsterdam, 1632; Laurence Sterne, writer, author of *Tristram Shandy*, Clermont, co Tipperary, 1713; Zachary Taylor, 12th president of the USA, 1790-50, Monticello, Virginia, 1784; Grace Darling, heroine of the Forthshire steam boat wreck, Bamburgh, Northumberland, 1815; Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec, Albi, France, 1864.

Deaths: John Knox, Edinburgh, 1572; William Lamb, 2nd Viscount Melbourne, prime minister, 1834, 1835-41, Hatfield, Hertfordshire, 1848.

Portfolio

For readers who may have missed a copy of *The Times* this week, we repeat below the week's *Portfolio* price changes (today's are on page 24).

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sunday
1	+3	+1	+7	+3	+3		
2	+1	+1	+3	+5	+4		
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